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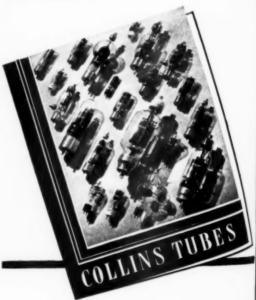
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NOVEMBER is election month in A.R.R.L. as well as in the nation at large. It is our custom each November to point out on this page the importance to A.R.R.L. members of picking good men for the A.R.R.L. Board from the candidates whose names appear on those November ballots. But the job really begins much earlier than that. It begins in September when nominations are made. Desirable men must be nominated before

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Therefore the time to think about good men for directors is right now-while there is leisure to think. It isn't necessary to emphasize why our society must have competent directors. To survive it must, to progress it must. Our form of government is democratic. Under it, our members have this prime responsibility, that they select the men who control our League's affairs. The voter in "politics" may not be intelligent, may not take his responsibilities seriously. We pride ourselves that we are better than that in A.R.R.L. Let us,

then, get going.

If your present director suits you and is willing to run again, FB-we would suggest that you join with your fellows in nominating him again this year. If you do not think he is the man for the job, or if he is not willing to serve again, or if you know a better man, it is both your right and your duty to put up the name of a candidate in whom you believe. This is your part in the govemment of the League, something that no one can do for you. You are about to turn over the representation of your division to somebody for two years. You owe it to yourself to name a man with whom you will be satisfied. Think well, we urge you, of the responsibilities of a director, the needed qualifications. Go over the men of your acquaintance. If you know one of outstanding capabilities, induce him to run, promote him with your fellows, see if he appeals to them and, if he does, join with them in putting his name in nomination. Good candidates are the first step towards the selection of good directors.

The League is governed by its directors. Theirs is the personal responsibility of giving the best of their intelligence to A.R.R.L. affairs. They must be much more than mere reflectors of division opinion on the matters of the day. There is no such thing as "instructing" an A.R.R.L. director. We hear that term mentioned but we would like to point out that the thought has no place in our scheme of government. A director is precisely what his title implies-he directs, and he does so of his own intelligence and knowledge. Our system does provide that he must arm himself with

the knowledge of his division's needs and views but he is required to ascertain the whole national scope of our problems and then do his deciding in terms of what is best for amateur radio. He possesses discretion and the free exercise of judgment. We repeat: there is no such thing as a division instructing its director. Therefore he cannot be a mere messenger boy, parrot-like repeating preconceived opinions. He must face realities, think objectively, be able to form wise conclusions when he sees the whole nationwide picture of our problems. On our Board personal popularity can be no offset to infantile modes of thinking. We need men of mature minds, men who can wrestle with facts and find the answers.

Your duty as a member is to find the man in your division, whether your present director or another, to whom you are willing to turn over the reins of government for two years. Obviously he must be a man you can trust to do the best possible job. His knowledge, his balance of judgment, his hard-headed thinking-these are the things that must concern you. Particulars on the actual filing of nominations will be found in the election notice

elsewhere in this issue.

WITH the early arrival of Autumn we call attention to a resolution of the A.R.R.L. Board at its last meeting deploring contests "on the air" sponsored by manufacturers or dealers. You all know what the Board means: these offers of prizes for contests involving actual operating.

The manufacturers of America have supplied us with the most delectable lines of apparatus. Distributors and dealers assemble wide ranges of choice under one roof, supply the service that brings the gear when we need it. By their advertising patronage of A.R.R.L. publications they supply much of the wherewithal to keep the League's signals radiating. For all of this we're fully grateful. But our Board does think that operating contests on the air so sponsored are "something else again." It's a simple question of arithmetic. If the idea came into general adoption there wouldn't be room on the air for anything else. And when we do it we're using our space in the spectrum and our stations and ourselves to boost the trade of some particular sponsor, which to us does not seem proper.

So let us have an end to it. With the best of good will to all reputable manufacturers and dealers, QST will not accept the advertising of such contests. We urge our members to have no part in such cluttering up of the ether. Let's keep amateur operating amateur!

"Move Over!"

A True Story

By H. W. Castner, WIIIE*

ATHER 'round, all you moss-faced muscle-wristed old timers, and get up in the front seats where you can hear me unwind this yarn about one of our distinguished compatriots in the brass-pounding business. You young squirts, get where you can listen and learn that necessity had to be the mother of invention in the old days of radio when there "wa'n't no sech critter" as a place where you could buy a 1-kw. rig all ready to put on the air.

Back in the distant past when there was real romance in ham radio there lived a boy in a small Maine town. This boy was one of those one-hundred-percent red-blooded typical American lads. He had the misfortune to overhear a part of a conversation between two hams about radio and received a "nibble" from the radio bug. Like the rest of us, he never got over it.

In those days of the dim past your humble servant eked out the bread and beans by running a radio store. This, of course, was long before the advent of commercial broadcasting. The merchandise consisted of Murdock (ah, who will ever forget those moulded transmitting condensers!), Acme, General Radio, Amrad, Clapp-Eastham, and so on. There were bushels of switch

levers, variometers and all the rest of it. Galena was bought by the keg and pounded up as required. Business was conducted on the principle of giving free about a couple of dollars' worth of chin oil and an armful of diagrams with every ten-cent purchase.

Into this picture stepped our young hero with a fist full of change and a determination to rig up a ½-kw. Acme or Blitzen and blast his way to fame—and he did it!

At that moment, however, we gave the cash register a feeble nudge and out went the lad with the junk, diagrams, etc., and set his course straight for home, while yours truly sank into a chair to recuperate from the mental and physical ordeal.

We learned on good authority that our hero labored far into the night and ultimately blossomed out with the whole rig, including the inevitable rotary gap which we describe by quoting a couple of lines from a piece of poetry on such things:

"That rotary gap, so loud and deep, Was liable to disturb your sleep."

Along with the enthusiasm which came when the rig actually perked there arose a determination to work Halley's Comet and all points East.

We now call your attention to the accompanying photograph of the rig. The component parts will be "no sale" to the young squirts, but they'll be a treat to the eyes of the old timers. Especially do we gloat over the privilege of calling your attention to the detector panel containing the old reliable Audiotron. We also spy the porcelain base rheostat on the lower panel—and brother, you don't have to tell any old timer what that did to the note of a gap. Our hero sure had the set-up for "them" days and he knew it, and proceeded to burn the midnight oil and blast the air with a vengeance.

Pa and Ma had begun to realize that their youthful offspring was truly a wizard, and for a time the perpetual nocturnal dow de dow dits were overlooked. In due time, however, a horrible realization began to dawn upon the parental minds that the nights had been made for

sleep. More and more the parental constitutions waned for lack of rest. More and more their anger rose, until finally endurance was exhausted. Then came the crash! One fateful moment the "riot act" was read. Just when our hero was about to smash the world's DX record the thread broke, and down came the sword of Damoeles slap dab.

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Ah, how our tender sympathies go out in heartfelt grief to our noble hero! What

pain and anguish surged through his manly breast! No more would the sonorous old gap be permitted to sound its clarion call to friends afar. For several days all was silence and gloom. Our hero was a broken man. The sun seemed a dull and faded sphere. The song of the birds was no longer heard. There was no further reason for living.

Despondent, dejected, discouraged, disheart-(Continued on page 56)



The Kennelly-Heaviside Layer—Its Relationship to Our Everyday Communication Problems

Modern Knowledge of the Ionosphere Summarized in Answers to Practical Questions

By G. W. Kenrick,* K4DDH-K4XOA

The recent extraordinary performance of high- and ultra-high frequency waves in DX communication has aroused high interest in the changing transmission characteristics of the lonosphere. In this timely article Dr. Kenrick, active amateur and outstanding scientific authority on radio transmission phenomena, gives practical answers to our practical questions.—EDITOR.

Scarcely more than a decade has elapsed since interest in technical studies of radio transmission turned from a study of signal intensities over various paths to a study of the refraction, or reflection, of radio waves from that region of the upper atmosphere known as the

Remelly-Heaviside Layer, or, more recently, the Ionosphere. Nevertheless, the developments during this brief period have been so rapid that the amateur frequently has difficulty in evaluating the importance of discussions of critical frequencies in the E, F_1 , and I_2 regions to the everyday communication phenomena which he observes.

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In this article we will endeavor to define some of this terminology as simply as possible, and to discuss the relationship of some of the observations to everyday communication problems. The most advanced workers still have only a preliminary and incomplete picture of the details of this relationship, but even at the present state of our knowledge many significant facts of interest to the amateur may be deduced from the results reported.¹

Our discussion should, perhaps, present descriptive definitions of the terminology employed. These may be introduced in the form of questions and answers, even if the answers may not at the moment be necessary to the amateur desiring to secure his Class A, or Commercial "ticket."

Question 1. What is the Kennelly-Heaviside Layer?

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Throughout this article data and facts have been freely borrowed from the published literature of the subject. Since this is merely a descriptive summary, it makes no pretense to the presentation of a complete bibliography, nor to the schooledgment of priority; but a few bibliographical references are given for the convenience of readers wishing to pursue in greater detail subjects suggested in this brief outline.

Answer 1. The term Kennelly-Heaviside Layer, or Ionosphere, is used to designate that electrically conducting region high up in the stratospheric regions of the earth's atmosphere which is responsible for the propagation of radio waves to great distances by means of multiple refrac-



FIG. 1—EXAMPLE OF GROUND WAVE AND SINGLE F-LAYER REFLECTION RECORDED BY THE OSCILLOGRAPHING OF INDIVIDUAL DOTS SPACED THIRTY TO THE SECOND

tions, or reflections, between the conducting surface of the earth and this "layer." It is not a sharply defined region, but extends for several hundred miles. Conductivity begins to be important at various heights above the earth depending on the wave length, but the conductivity at heights as low as fifty miles may be of importance in the case of low-frequency (long-wave) propagation. Recently the term "ionosphere" has been introduced to describe this whole region. However, the ionosphere does have sub-regions in which the conductivity varies more rapidly than in others. These are given special names according to their refracting properties for different frequencies. We will discuss this in greater detail later.

Question 2. What is the source of the conductivity in the upper air which gives rise to this ionosphere?

Answer 2. The art is not as yet ready to give a complete answer to this question. Several factors may contribute to the ionization of the region as a whole, and these phenomena may be of varied importance in the sub-regions, or layers. However, certainly the radiation from the sun seems to be

the most important source of ionization. This radiation may again be of several types; i.e., it may consist of heavy positively charged ions (alpha radiation), of negatively charged electrons (beta radiation), or it may be ultra-violet light (gamma radiation). While all these types of radiation probably contribute to some extent, it appears that the ultra-violet light, which breaks up the atoms of the rare gas already existing in the upper regions of the earth's atmosphere, is the most important source of ionization. Various regions of the atmosphere absorb certain wavelengths from this radiation with greater or less rapidity according to their chemical constitution, and this may prove to be the reason for the stratifications, or sub-layers.

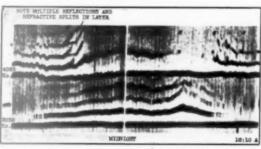


FIG. 2—EXAMPLE OF EFFECTIVE HEIGHT RECORDS ON TWO DISTINCT FREQUENCIES

Note multiple reflections during daytime on the higher frequency, together with absence of night reflections. Note also multiple night reflections on the lower frequency and absence of strong daytime reflections on this frequency.

Question 3. What is the cause of the great changes recently observed in the behavior of the K.H.L.?

Answer 3. Because of the importance of solar radiation as a source of ionosphere conductivity, the variation of the conditions in the Kennelly-Heaviside Layer becomes intimately associated with changes on the sun affecting solar radiation. Some of the most important of these changes are associated with the areas of activity on the sun known as sunspots. Now, since the sun rotates once every twenty-seven days, an apparent monthly period is found in radio conditions which, on longer examination, will be found to average 27.5 days, rather than twenty-eight, or thirty-one days. Since the phenomena of sunspots have an eleven-year (or, more strictly, a twentytwo-year) period of development, radio transmission phenomena naturally also show prominent evidence of the presence of these longer periodicities, and close observation discloses other harmonic periods corresponding to fifteen months, etc., which are not infrequently confused with annual changes, just as the twenty-seven-day period is often confused with monthly and lunar periods. (Some evidence for the latter seems to exist in some transmission phenomena; just why,

we don't know.) It happens that we are now approaching a "sunspot maximum" portion of the eleven-year cycle of solar activity, and it is during this period that we encounter the most violent outbreaks in solar activity. The 27.5-day period hence becomes very pronounced, together with auroral displays, and magnetic storms (disturbances in the earth's magnetic field due to violent currents set up by the changes in solar radiation and the consequent ionization changes During magnetic storms, radio conditions are violently disturbed, and the signal intensities in general greatly depressed (as, for example, during the week of April 19, 1936). Other phenomena associated with the sunspot maxima in the elevenyear sunspot cycle are the possibility of high-

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frequency (i.e., ten-meter and occasionally five-meter) long-distance communication and short skip distance on twenty meters.

Question 4. What means are used to study the ionization conditions in the K.H.L?

Answer 4. The most modern, and now almost universally employed, method for measuring the conditions in the K.H.L. is by means of observing the reflections received when a short dot of about 0.0002-second duration is transmitted on the desired wavelength. The ground wave is received at, or near, the transmitter and the time interval elapsing before the echo of the dot is received is measured with the aid of oscillographic equipment. The time elapsing before the return of the dot is used to measure the effective, or virtual, height of the K.H.L., just as the time-delay of audio echoes is used in

depth-finding. The height thus measured depends on the wavelength of the pulse, as well as the conductivity of the layer, and sometimes echoes of various time delays are received from the same pulse; hence, the importance of the term "effective," or "virtual" height. This term "virtual" height" is necessary to emphasize the difference between the apparent height computed using a velocity of propagation equal to that of light, and the actual depth of penetration of the wave into the stratosphere, which is, in general, less than is indicated by this computation. This variation of layer height with frequency yields much significant information from which conclusions may be deduced as to the constitution of the layer and also as to what skip distance phenomena are to be expected, and how these are likely to vary with time of day, path, etc.

Question 5. What is meant by the term "critical frequencies" associated with the K.H.L.?

Answer 5. In the earlier experiments using the echo method, oscillographic records were taken of the echoes received from a single short pulse, the time delays measured, and the experiment repeated at frequent intervals during as long a period as possible, preferably at least twenty-four hours. (See Fig. 1.)

Later, photographic means were developed, mermitting a photographic record to be made on a lowly moving film so that a statistical record of layer height against time could be secured. Thus, in this method, the equally spaced dots transmitted formed an origin line for a graph of layer height against time. This method was still limited,

however, to the recording of reflections on a few fixed frequencies. These records disclosed that, in general, on the lower frequencies the virtual layer height rose in the evening, and, if the frequency recorded was high enough, the reflections disappeared entirely during part of the night. This was due to the fact that, after the sun's rays were removed, the ions in the upper air gradually recombined, reducing the conductivity and permitting the adio waves to penetrate deeper and deeper into the stratosphere, and finally to pass out into space. When this latter condition was attained, reflections disappeared, usually returning after dawn at which time the reflections reappeared, and, in most cases, the effective height of the layer rapidly fell to its day value.

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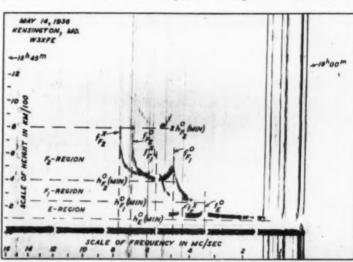
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Now, if the frequency of the radio signal is low

enough, reflections are observed all night, and conversely, if the frequency is high enough, reflections do not occur even in the daytime. It follows, therefore, that a somewhat similar curve is obtained if the frequency of the radio signal transmitted is varied rapidly at a given time of day and the reflections corresponding to various wavelengths are observed. If this is done with frequencies starting in the American broadcast band and increasing, the first phenomenon to be observed is general reflections from a layer about 100 km. in height (the E region). These reflections persist and usually increase in intensity, so that frequently multiple reflections may be observed. If the observations are taken in the daytime in temperate zones, when a frequency between three and four megacycles is reached the height of the layer" from which the reflections seem to be returned begins to increase rapidly as the frequency is varied, and reflections begin to

appear from another region at a height of about 230 km. (the F_1 region). E reflections often reappear for a time as the frequency continues to increase, but they are usually weaker. When the frequency has attained six or eight megacycles (depending on location, time of year, etc., etc.) another rapid rise in height is observed with in-



EXAMPLE OF CONTINUOUSLY-VARIABLE FREQUENCY VIRTUAL HEIGHT RECORD SHOWING CRITICAL FREQUENCIES AND VARIOUS LAYERS

LAYERS

(Typical graph of the ionosphere giving virtual height versus frequency obtained by the Department of Terrestrial Magnetism of the Carnegie Institution of Washington.) f=F2—Critical-frequency for extraordinary (x) wave-component in F2-region. f=F2-Critical-frequency for extraordinary (a) wave-component in F2-region. f=F1—Critical-frequency for x wave-component in F1-region. f=F2—Critical-frequency for a wave-component in F2-region. f=F2—Critical-frequency for a wave-component in F2-region. f=F2—Critical-frequency for a wave-component in F2-region. f=F2-Critical-frequency for a wave-component in F2-region. f=F2-region. f=F2-reg

creasing frequency, and the reflections frequently split, showing two heights of slightly different value. As the frequency is further raised the major reflections are observed from very high apparent heights of about 500 km. and finally disappear (critical F_1 frequency). Further increases in frequency, however, cause a reappearance of reflections from a layer that progressively decreases in height as the frequency increases, and then proceeds to increase until reflections disappear. The form of the curve is shown in Fig. 3. By comparison with Fig. 2 taken on two fixed frequencies, it will be noted that the form of the curves obtained by varying the frequency at the fixed time, or varying the time and observing on a fixed frequency are much the same. Now the frequencies corresponding to the rise of the effective height of the layer to infinity are called "critical frequencies." The similarity in form for the frequency range curve and the time variation on a

fixed frequency arises because of a gradual decrease of critical frequencies with time, causing them to drift through the frequency under observation as darkness approaches. The "splits" are due to double refraction phenomena in the layers due to the effect of the earth's magnetic field.

Question 6. What is the nature of the phenomenon associated with the abrupt change in virtual height at the critical frequencies?

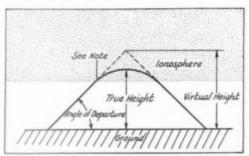


FIG. 4—SHOWING RELATION OF VIRTUAL AND ACTUAL HEIGHTS OF A SINGLE LAYER

By Breit and Tuwe's theorem, the virtual height is the altitude of the triangle whose sides are tangent to the actual ray path at the angle of departure and arrival. The smaller the base line (distance of transmission) the smaller this angle and the greater the tendency to penetrate the layer. Hence, "skip distance."

Answer 6. In order to understand clearly the phenomena occurring at the critical frequencies, it is necessary to appreciate the full significance of the term "virtual height" which we have employed so frequently in this discussion, and how it is related to true height.

With certain approximations, the path of the radio signal refracted from the ionosphere may be represented by a ray, just as we indicate the path of light rays. Now the "virtual height" of the ionosphere is obtained by assuming the path of the ray to be a triangle such as would exist if the reflection took place at a plane reflection surface and the velocity of propagation in all the region below was that of light in free space.

The computation of this virtual height is very easy, since it only requires the construction of a triangle with the known base and altitude such that twice the length of hypotenuse divided by the velocity of light in free space (300,000 km./sec.) equals the observed time delay. If the path is nearly straight up and down, i.e., if the triangle has a small base, the virtual, or effective, height is merely the velocity times the time divided by two (half the time is required up and half back). Thus a time delay of 0.001 second corresponds to an effective height of 150 km. if the base line is nearly zero.

Actually, however, the path pursued by the ray is not up to a sharply reflecting surface and back again, but through a medium of gradually varying conductivity. This causes the ray path

to bend as shown in Fig. 4. Now there is an important theorem proved in an early paper by Breit and Tuve (and generally known as Breit and Tuve's theorem) which states that the time required for the ray to pursue the curved path is (under certain plausible assumptions)³ equal to the time required to pass over a triangular path having the same angle of departure from the earth. It will be noted, however, that the virtual height thus computed is, in general, considerably greater than the actual height reached by the ray. Now, when we measure layer height by the pulse method, we are measuring virtual heights and not the actual heights reached by the ray.

This distinction is an important one, since probably the actual height penetration of the ray at and near the critical frequencies does not change abruptly. What, then, is the true nature of these critical frequencies? They are the frequencies which the electron density of the particular stratum is just sufficient to turn back the ray entering perpendicularly. As this frequency is approached, the ray is bent abruptly near the top of its path, and a big difference between virtual and true height is produced. The virtual height, therefore, changes rapidly at these points and permits the critical frequency to be accurately located.

Now it may be shown that a simple relation exists between these critical frequencies and the maximum electron density occurring in the stratum in question. Hence, these critical frequencies are of particular interest to the physicist interested in determining the maximum electron densities in the stratosphere and their variation; i.e., just measure the critical frequency changes during a solar eclipse, or other change under observation, and you have the change in electron density in the stratosphere.

Question 7. What is the relation of critical frequencies to skip distance and allied transmission phenomena?

Answer 7. The phenomena causing critical frequencies are closely allied, of course, to those producing skip distance. In fact, if the critical frequencies are known, the skip distances may be computed with the help of certain approximations, relative to the form of the ray path, etc.

Skip distance arises from the fact that the necessary electrons required to turn a radio wave back to earth from the stratosphere increase with the square of the frequency of the wave, so that as the frequency of the signal is increased, all the energy finally leaks out through the layer into space, instead of being returned to earth. Now it also may be shown that the angle of penetration of the radio wave into the layer is a factor in determining the electron density necessary to turn back the ray, and that the more oblique the angle at which the ray enters the layer, the less the

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² The theorem neglects conductivity compared to dielectric changes.

electron density required. (The electron density required is proportional to the sine of the angle the ray makes with the horizontal.) Therefore, the

critical frequencies of the layer may be said to be the frequencies where skip distance begins; i.e., the frequencies at which vertically directed rays entering these layers penetrate and are not returned.

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Now since the angle of penetration of the ray for distant transmission is not vertical, but increasingly oblique as the distances increase, it follows that less electron density suffices to return oblique rays of a given frequency from a given sending point than is required to return vertically directed rays, and we have the phenomenon of skip distance. Thus the lower the electron density available, the more oblique must be the wave and the greater will be the skip distance. Also it will be noted that, in general, the higher the critical frequency, the higher the maximum frequency which is workable over given paths. Probably the

F₂ critical frequency is usually most important.³
Question 8. What changes in critical frequencies have been observed?

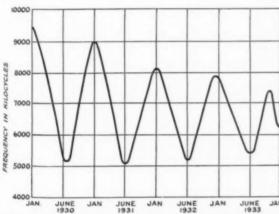


FIG. 5—NOON VARIATION OF CRITICAL FREQUENCIES OF VARIOUS LAYERS

Note also comparative variation of 6 p. m. F₂ critical frequencies. (See bibliographical reference No. 4, Figs. 2 and 3, pp. 673-4.)

Answer 8. Observations taken during the past five years both here and abroad have shown a number of interesting facts relative to daily and seasonal changes in the critical frequencies for the various layers. The salient points of these

¹ This statement is probably generally so, but the actual picture is complicated by the successive bending of the rays in the various regions which in turn depend on their relative heights and the electron disturbances in them. A complete theory is not yet available.

conclusions may be summarized as follows:

(a) There is a general upward trend of the critical frequencies during the five-year period of

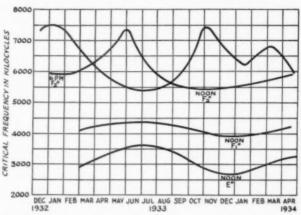


FIG. 6—LONG-PERIOD VARIATION OF NOON CRITICAL FREQUENCY OF F_2 REGION

(See bibliographical reference No. 8, Fig. 19, p. 510. Also reference No. 4, Fig. 3, p. 674.)

observations, corresponding probably to the progress of the eleven-year sunspot cycle from its 1931 minimum.

(b) All the critical frequencies, of course, show large annual and daily variations, but the form of these variations is not the same for the different layers. Thus, the E and F_1 critical frequencies are usually highest at noon and are lower in the winter than in the summer, but the F_2 critical frequency is higher in winter at noon than at summer noon. However, the critical frequency may be almost as high in summer in the late afternoon, or early evening, as at winter noon. Curves showing the form of these variations are shown in Fig. 5. Perhaps the most surprising phenomena to be noted are the greater F_2 critical frequency at winter noon than at summer noon, and the fact that in summer the maximum F2 critical frequency does not occur at midday.

Question 9. What may an observer learn from the available data on the daily change of skip distance relative to

the behavior to be expected from the ten- and twenty-meter amateur bands, etc.?

Answer 9. In view of the facts outlined in Answers 7 and 8 relative to the F_2 layer, we would expect long time and seasonal changes very much in accord with those we are encountering, i.e., with the increase of sunspot activity and the higher critical frequencies, lower skip distances are noted on twenty meters, also ten- (and

occasionally five-) meter long distance communication has become possible. Furthermore, skip distance is in general shorter in winter than in summer, and it does not necessarily follow that summer noon skip distance will be the shortest observed during the day. In fact, particularly during the summer, the skip distance may be shorter in the early morning or evening than at noon.

Question 10. What of future transmission condi-

tions?

Answer 10. So many factors enter into a complete picture of the complex phenomena influencing radio transmission that he who predicts too boldly is likely to have his predictions come up to damn him a few years hence. However, in general, past experience and the observations of critical frequencies taken thus far lead us to expect:

(a) A gradual increase in frequencies available for long-distance communication (including perhaps more frequent five-meter DX) for a year or two more, when the maximum of the present

sunspot cycle will be reached.

(b) A subsequent gradual decrease in critical frequencies with sunspots until about 1944, when five- and ten-meter DX will probably again be history.

(c) A repetition of the cycle with eleven-year

period. (See Fig. 6.)

(d) A superposed annual period wherein noon skips are shortest in winter and daily minimum skips do not occur at noon in summer.

Question 11. What of the pitfalls of prediction? Answer 11. There are a number of factors which render dangerous predictions such as those given above. To begin with, the "eleven-year sunspot period" is really a twenty-two or twenty-three-year period, since the magnetic forces associated with the northern and southern hemispherical spots reverse in alternate eleven-year periods. Since practically all of our observational data is limited to the past few years, we would be rash indeed to assume that this would not lead to marked differences. In fact, what transmission data we have from 1925 to date seems to show that history is not quite repeating itself.

The not-too-consistent observer is likely to find these conclusions inapplicable due to other factors which complicate the situation, i.e., the phenomena of magnetic storms which are most frequent during sunspot maxima. Actually, radio transmission probably reacts to a common

cause rather than to the storm itself.

Magnetic storms, or abnormally large changes in the earth's magnetic field, and large aurora borealis displays appear to arise from solar radiation changes associated with sunspot groups. The abnormal radiation thus produced impinges on the ionosphere each time the given sunspot group gets broadside on the earth in accord with the sun's 27.5-day period of rotation. Thus, radio transmission exhibits violent 27.5-day periods

(sometimes more than one when there are numerous active groups of spots). The magnetic disturbances appear to arise from the currents corresponding to the large movement of electrons associated with the abnormal ionization produced by the changes in solar radiation and corresponding equilibrium changes.

Question 12. What of magnetic storms?

Answer 12. We are still not very clear as to just what happens to radio transmission during these magnetic storms. The observing amateur can assure you that it gets bad, but how and why?

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Critical frequency observations do confirm that great and rapid changes in critical frequencies usually accompany these disturbances. However, the general tendency is for critical frequencies to rise, rather than fall. This would lead one to expect abnormally high cut-off frequencies, and, in short, a tendency to turn night conditions into day conditions. Actually, short skip and phenomenal high-frequency ranges are sometimes observed, but the outstanding effect appears to be an almost universal tendency of the bands to go "dead."

To understand these phenomena we would probably have to consider what is happening in the absorption encountered in the lower layers as well as the cut-off frequencies. This portion of the theory remains largely for future investigations, but it does seem fairly clear that the lower in the atmosphere the ionization is found sufficient to turn back the wave, the more frequent the collisions between the refracting electrons and the gas, and hence the greater the absorption of the ray in the reflecting process. Herein probably lies the

answer to the paradox.

Question 13. What of freak conditions, skips, etc.?

Answer 13. In the preceding discussion we have not attempted to treat the complications introduced by the double refractive effects produced by the earth's magnetic field. This causes two reflections to be returned from the same layer with quite different virtual heights which vary widely near the critical frequency. (See Fig. 3 where these effects are clearly shown.) Also we have not discussed interlayer refractions, absorptions, due to critical frequencies of certain layers, etc. This was partly because we do not wish unduly to prolong our discussion, and partly because as yet there is relatively little worked out in this fertile field. However, with three or more layers and their critical frequencies to work with, the enterprising analyst should have little difficulty in finding combinations adequate to explain most of the "freaks." We shall not attempt a contribution to this as yet somewhat hazardous field.

Perhaps it may be well to end with Question 13, and to close with a few comments relative to a region which seems to have escaped undue attention, that is the borderline region between twenty

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Some Trick Crystal Circuits

By J. Stanley Brown,* W3EHE

PREVIOUS article 1 described features of a simple transmitter that was developed in over a year of off-and-on experimenting, during which time a lot of more or less useful "tricks" were run into. These will be described particularly for those independent builders who never copy anyone.

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We all know that the limit of output for any given crystal circuit is the amount of abuse the crystal can stand. Heavily loaded triodes are normally poison to crystals. Some pentodes are

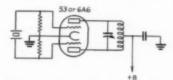


FIG. 1—THE JUMPING-OFF PLACE—THE SIMPLE PUSH-PULL CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR

quite easy on them and Jim Lamb's Tri-tet can be adjusted so that crystal r.f. is very low. John Reinartz has described an oscillator using an 802

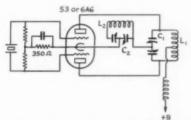


FIG. 2—PUSH-PULL OSCILLATOR AND SECOND-HARMONIC GENERATOR

The harmonic is collected by the tank L₂C₂ which, incidentally, can be single-ended instead of double-ended as shown. C₁L₁ tuned to fundamental, C₂L₂ to second harmonic.

which, with about 700 volts on the plate, will deliver 25 watts fundamental output with crystal current as low as 20 mils. This circuit is similar to the familiar pentode oscillator except that a cathode tank tuning to half the crystal frequency

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1Brown, "Simplifying the Push-Pull-Push Crystal Oscillator," July, 1936, QST.
Incidentally, the author writes in connection with the July article that 61.6% have been found to be unsuitable for the push-pull-push circuit. Although satisfactory as a straight push-pull oscillator, giving better than 50 watts out-pull from a 40-meter crystal when connected as a straight push-pull oscillator. put from a 40-meter crystal, when connected p-p-p the principal result is a vicious parasitic oscillation causing a high circulating current in the crystal and holder and giving practically no second-harmonic output. This in reply to umerous questions about using the tubes in the circuit.

is used to provide a capacitative reactance load to the highly inductive crystal. For harmonic output, the common-connected screen and suppressor are tuned to the crystal frequency with a

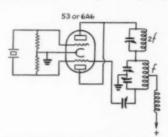


FIG. 3—ANOTHER VERSION OF THE PUSH-PULL-PUSH TRIODE OSCILLATOR

third tank, and a doubling plate tank is inserted. About 12.5 watts second harmonic output, at the same low crystal current, can be obtained.

For kindness to a crystal, however, nothing can quite touch the push-pull crystal oscillator for a given amount of fundamental output. The principal reason for this low r.f. current may be that the input capacitances of the tube or tubes are in series, the resultant being but half of the input capacity of one tube. Higher plate voltages are permissible before a dangerous value of crystal current is reached. It also permits each alternation of excitation voltage to be effective in causing plate current flow. A 53 with a crystal in one grid and about 250 volts on one plate will produce about 5 watts fundamental output. Connect both sets of triodes of the tube push-pull and the output can be 10 or more watts with less crystal

Fig. 1 shows the simplest push-pull oscillator circuit. This is a good steady oscillator and keys nicely in the cathode. We are told that the second harmonic is cancelled out or suppressed in the tank of this type of circuit. That is too bad, because if we could use it for doubling we would have a way to make a three-frequency 10-watt exciter with just two 53's. Well, if there was ever any second harmonic, some of it probably got to ground in one way or another; and if there wasn't any, we might try to produce some for the purposes of our experiment. A large order? Fig. 2 shows how it is done. L_1C_1 is a crystal-frequency tank with a ground path through L_2C_2 , which is a doubling tank: Output, 10 watts on fundamental, 5 watts doubling, using 350 ohms of cathode-bias resistance and about 300 volts on the plate with the key down. The theory used in arriving at this

circuit is two-sided: First, with high bias there is bound to be some tendency to generate second harmonic at each plate, and this harmonic goes through one side of C_1 (which is a 500- $\mu\mu$ fd. split condenser, 125 $\mu\mu$ fd. effective), and thence to

meter output may be taken from L_3 , the second tube working as a locked push-pull oscillator. If this locked condition does not seem desirable, the grids of the second 53 may be connected through condensers to the ends of L_1 and the second tube

operated as a pushpush amplifier. Further, the second 53 can be neutralized if you wish. Also with the same crystal and the circuit of Fig. 4, 10 watts at 40 meters may be taken from L3 with the second 53 again being used as a pushpush doubling amplifier. Fig. 4-B shows the same 2 tubes in an alternative arrangement. If four bands are deloss

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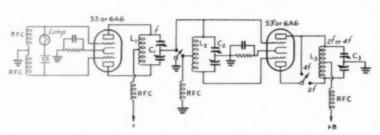


FIG. 4A—CIRCUIT DIAGRAM FOR A TWO-TUBE THREE-BAND 10-WATT EXCITER

 L_1C_1 tuned to the crystal fundamental, L_2C_2 to second harmonic, L_3C_3 to either second or fourth harmonic. With the switch at 2f the second 53 or 6A6 is a locked oscillator; with the switch at 4f the circuit becomes a push-push doubler.

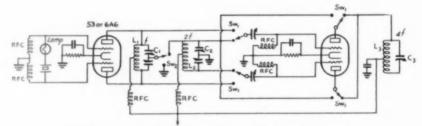


FIG. 4B-AN ALTERNATIVE ARRANGEMENT OF FIG. 4A

With this circuit changing bands in the output circuit does not require a change of coils. Switch Sw1 should be a four-pole double-throw unit of the low-capacity type. Sw2 is a s.p.s.t., also low capacity. Output is taken from L₁C₁ at the crystal fundamental, L₂C₂ on the second harmonic, and L₃C₃ on the fourth harmonic.

ground through L_2C_2 , which is tuned to the harmonic frequency. Second, the two plates are in parallel through the two sides of C_1 and the tank C_2L_2 , and push-push action, as described in the previous article, takes place. C_1 must be a split condenser, C_2 can be a single section condenser of about 1 $\mu\mu$ fd. per meter, effective capacitance. Cathode bias seems to be easier on the crystal than grid-leak bias. If a cathode resistance of 500 ohms or more is used, 400 to 450 volts can be used on the plates with substantial increases in output. This is especially true of the doubling output.

Fig. 3 is another version of the push-pull-push triode crystal oscillator. It performs about the same as Fig. 2 except for the necessity of adjusting a feed-back condenser. Several other "trick" circuits of similar nature were tried, but none of them held any promise—and one of them "busted" a crystal.

Fig. 4 is a three-band two-tube 10-watt exciter evolved from the circuit of Fig. 2. With a 160-meter crystal, 10 watts may be taken from L_1 , in which case the tap to L_2 might just as well be grounded. With the same crystal, 10 watts of 80-

 2 Le., 40 $\mu\mu fd.$ at 40 meters, 80 $\mu\mu fd.$ at 80 meters, etc.

sired, another push-push 53 will be necessary. Tests of this circuit show it to be superior to current 53 circuits using one triode as a crystal oscillator and the other triode of the same 53 as a harmonic amplifier.

The circuit of Fig. 2 could probably be refined to produce more second harmonic if one difficulty

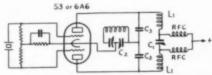


FIG. 5—A SUGGESTED MODIFICATION OF FIG. 2 TO INCREASE HARMONIC OUTPUT

could be overcome: C_1 has to be large to present a low-impedance path from the plates to L_2C_2 for the second harmonic, and being large it causes a large no-load circulating current at fundamental frequency in L_1C_1 . Fig. 5 suggests a remedy for this condition, although it has not been tried out. Condensers C_3 could be quite large (0.002- μ fd. fixed mica) while C_1 could be a small 50 $\mu\mu$ fd.

variable. $L_1C_1C_3$ would then be very low-C to the fundamental, would produce necessary feedback voltage with low circulating current and losses, and make more of the tube output available for the push-push generation of double frequency.3

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In the previous article some mention was made of the difficulty of getting much drive from even a good 40-meter crystal, which is apt to exclude

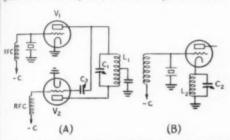


FIG. 6-AN IDEA FOR GETTING POWER FROM LOW-OUTPUT CRYSTALS

V1 is a small triode or pentode crystal oscillator of usual design, V2 a larger triode or pentode. The large tube is regnerative. The tank L2C2 may be inserted in V1's cahode circuit, as shown at B, to help increase output without running up the crystal current. L2C2 is tuned to half the fundamental frequency. C3, the feedback control, is a 50-µµfd. midget.

many X-cuts. This difficulty was overcome largely in the 802 transmitter circuit by making a more suitable top electrode for the crystal, but with tubes causing high crystal current for any amount of output, the 40-meter crystal just will not equal lower frequency crystals. There is a very simple trick by which this difficulty can be wercome. It has been tried here on triodes and pentodes. Figs. 6-A and 6-B show the schematic details. A small triode or pentode is wired as an scillator. The plate is connected to one end of a push-pull tank and the plate of a larger tube is connected to the other end of this tank. The grid of the second tube is fed through a variable condenser as shown. The circuit can be arranged to give very good power outputs and is not difficult adjustment. It can oscillate at other than the crystal frequency but with normal care in adjusting, it prefers not to. It does not seem to act very much as a locked oscillator because removing or shorting the crystal will normally cause it to stop weillating. Fig. 1 of the July article was modified to use this circuit for the grids and screen-anodes and gave even better outputs than those shown

¹Although the tank circuit is low-C, the effective im-edance into which each tube is working would be quite low because each plate is in effect shunted across only a small part of the tank. So far as the tube is concerned, this mulates the effect of the high-C tank, and may nullify the increase in actual L-C ratio. Because the two desirable factors—high impedance for the tube loads, and low series impedance in the harmonic circuit—are mutually antag-mistic, however, it may be that this circuit will repre-ent a better compromise than Fig. 2. Only a trial would how.-EDITOR.

under Outputs and Conditions of Operation for all bands, and especially better outputs when using the 40-meter crystal.

The preceding are the principal useful findings during this series of experiments. They may not all be new "tricks" by any means but they were not copied. In justice to others, the similarity of some of these "tricks" to those described by Carl C. Drumeller, W9EHC, in May 1936, QST, Experimenters' Section, should be noted. Drumeller has added a useful means of doubling where these tests left off with Figs, 6-A and 6-B.

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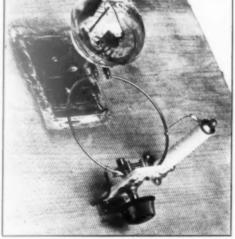
A New Tube Simplifies the Problems: Trough Lines Suggested for Frequency Control

By Ross A. Hull*

LTRA-HIGH-FREQUENCY workers have been hankering for years for a tube which would do an efficient job of generating r.f. power on frequencies of 224 mc. and up. Ordinary receiving tubes have been put to work on 224 mc. (1½ meters) but the efficiency has been extremely poor and the output, as a result, substantially immeasurable. Some of the larger tubes, with grid and plate leads through the top of

we have not been able to exploit all its possibilities but at least we have been able to develop a profound admiration for it. Its ability to take a terrific beating on, say, 600 mc. cannot fail to thrill any ultra-high-frequency worker who has been obliged to battle along with tubes designed for the lower frequencies.

The new tube is built in a heavy glass domeshaped bulb about 21/2 inches in diameter. The plate itself is about 1/2 inch long and something less than an 1/8 inch in diameter. It seems almost inconceivable that the plate dissipation rating should be 30 watts. The nominal output rating with an input of 400 volts at 80 milliamperes is 8.5 watts at 300 mc., 6.5 watts at 500 mc. and 4 watts at 600 mc. 750 mc. is the limit of oscillation. In other words, the tube is good for 7 or 8 watts of output on any of the bands harmonically related to the 60-mc. band up to the 440-mc. (%meter) band.



A SIMPLE TRANSMITTER USING THE NEW W.E.

The extremely low tube capacities and the low inductance of its leads allow the use of a tank circuit on 1½ meters about the same size as that necessaryon 5 meters with a conventional tube. The filament by-pass condenser is made from copper strips separated by thin mica. It serves also as the mounting for the tube.

316A TUBE

the bulb, have permitted operation in the neighborhood of 11/4 meters but, here again, the efficiency was very low and the tube life short. The advent of a weird and wonderful gadget called the W.E. 316A tube has changed all this. The new tube, described in a few words, is a 71/2-watter which behaves on about 1 meter in very much the same way as a type 210 behaves on 40 meters. During the last few months we have spent considerable time playing with the new tube on frequencies between 60 and 600 me. Naturally, * Associate Editor.

THE FILAMENT CIRCUIT

In our experimental work we made use of many different circuits for the tube and, as we had anticipated, found that any of them are satisfactory providing certain precautions are taken,

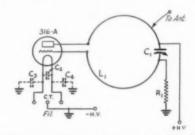


FIG. 1—THE CIRCUIT OF THE SIMPLE 224MC TRANSMITTER

L1-Single split turn 31/4 inches diameter of No. 14 bare

L1—Single split turn 3½ inches diameter of No. 14 bete copper wire.

C1—15 μμfd. National Ultra-Midget condenser.

C2, 3, 4—Filament by-pass condensers provided by filament mounting strips, see text.

R1—20,000 to 50,000-ohm 10-watt resistor. 30,000 ohm was the value used in most of the work described.

Successful operation will be greatly facilitated by mounting the transmitter on a foundation of copper gauge or sheet.

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filament lead within the tube is short enough to allow the filament to operate substantially at ground notential. In the neighborhood of 112 mc., with conventional tubes, the filament lead will usually be an appreciable fraction of a wavelength long. In this case it is not sufficient merely to by-pass the filament terminal to ground. In order to obtain satisfactory operation it is usually necessary to extend the filament lead in the form of a resonant line so that there will be a half wave between the filament itself and the point at which the filament circuit is grounded. The filament leads of the 316A are, of course, much shorter than in the conventional tube and it is possible to obtain satisfactory operation up to about 300 mc. merely by by-passing the filament to ground at the filament terminals. At frequencies higher than this it is essential to include a resonant line

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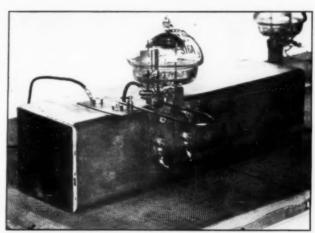
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THE SIMPLEST OSCILLATOR

The two transmitters illustrated were selected from a group of experimental rigs built. The first example is the result of an attempt to build the simplest possible transmitter for 224 mc. (11/4meter) operation. The foundation for the transmitter is a breadboard covered with close-mesh bare copper gauze. This gauze serves as a ground for the transmitter and proves to be invaluable in facilitating by-passing and preventing r.f. from getting into the wrong places. With the idea of getting effective by-passing in the filament circuit, the filament leads were made in the form of copper strip which served not only to support the tube but to provide a capacity across the filament and between each filament lead and the gauze 'ground." The strips of copper sheets measure 3 inches by 1 inch before bending into the shape shown in the photograph. The filament terminals accommodating the tube are the smallest Yaxley binding posts soldered to the upper ends of the copper strip. The two strips are separated by a piece of thin mica and held together with a machine screw insulated from one of the strips by a small fiber washer. The "feet" of these filament supports are similarly insulated with mica from a base plate soldered to the copper gauze.

The tank circuit is a single split turn of No. 14 bare wire 31/4 inches in diameter. The open ends of this turn are attached to the tube leads with a pair of the small Yaxley binding posts on each lead, the binding posts being joined together with a small sliver of threaded brass rod. The idea in this case is to avoid any soldered joints in the



WITH A TROUGH LINE IN THE GRID CIRCUIT: A NEW EXPERI-MENTAL TRANSMITTER FOR 224 MC.

The resonant-line grid circuit serves as a chassis for the transmitter with the tube mounted on it by means of the filament by-pass condensers. The plate by-pass condenser also uses the shell of the grid line as one of its ele-

vicinity of the plate or grid terminals. Provision is made for varying the location of the grid and plate return leads so that they may be located on a node.

No difficulty should be had in putting an oscillator of this type into operation. The oscillator

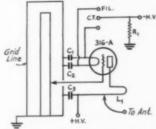


FIG. 2—THE CIRCUIT OF THE TROUGH-LINE CONTROLLED TRANSMITTER

L1—Hairpin-shaped loop of No. 14 bare wire 31/4 inches long and 1 inch wide. C1, 2-Filament by pass condensers made of copper strip,

see text.

C3—Plate by-pass condenser made in similar fashion.

R1—30,000-ohm 10-watt resistor.

The outer conductor of the grid line is one quarter-wave long (about 12 inches at 1½ meters). The inner conductor is 8 inches long and fitted with a sliding extension piece made of copper sheet rolled into tube form.

will function with the grid and plate lead connected at the terminals of the condenser. The position of the leads may then be varied to give minimum plate current-with the oscillator unloaded. In making preliminary adjustments it is always desirable to connect a 1000-ohm resistor in series with the plate supply.

A STABILIZED TRANSMITTER

The second transmitter illustrated is an ex-

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ample of a stabilized 11/4-meter transmitter employing a type of concentric line for the grid circuit developed by Paul Zottu. Instead of using the conventional cylindrical outer conductor, an open trough of square cross section is used. Not only is the construction greatly simplified but the inner conductor is readily available for adjustment of its length and for variation of the grid tapping. Measurements made by Zottu indicate

tor, of 34-inch outside diameter copper pipe, is soldered to it. The trough, for 11/4-meter operation, should be approximately 10 inches long. The inner conductor is only 8 inches long but is fitted with an extension piece of rolled copper sheet at the free end. This extension piece, about 31/4 inches long, permits adjustment of the resonant frequency of the grid circuit. The grid is tapped about 1/4 the length of the inner conductor from its closed end.

Adjustment of this transmitter is also the acme of simplicity. The tube will oscillate with a wide range of plate circuit adjustments and it is merely necessary to vary the length of wire in the plate circuit until the plate current, with the oscillator unloaded, is a minimum at the desired operating frequency. The frequency is adjusted, of course, by variation of the position of the extension piece on the inner conductor of the line. In both of these transmitters the plate current, with the oscillator unloaded, was of the order of 35 milliamperes—this rising to about 80 ma. with the application of a load.

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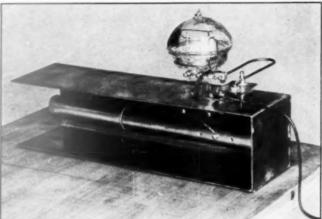
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It is one thing, on these ultrahigh frequencies, to build a generator of r.f. power but it is quite

another thing to transfer that power to an antenna and radiate it efficiently. In the course of the experiments with the new tube on frequencies be-



THE TROUGH-LINE TRANSMITTER FROM ANOTHER ANGLE In this view the inner conductor of the grid line can be seen. The extension piece on the line allows adjustment of its length.

that the use of a square section and the elimination of one of the walls does not appreciably influence the performance of the line. This trough

construction is certainly simpler, less expensive and a great deal more convenient than the use of concentric pipes. In the "trough line" transmitter the filament circuit is by-passed to the wall of the line by two 1-inch by 11/2-inch copper strips which serve also as the supports for the tubes. These strips are insulated from the wall of the line with thin mica as in the previous transmitter. The plate by-pass condenser is treated in similar fashion and consists of a 1- by 2-inch copper strip mounted on the upper surface of the line. The plate circuit consists of a "hair-pin" of No. 14 bare wire about 3 inches long and 1 inch wide. It is supported from the plate terminal of the tube by an appropriately drilled and tapped section of 14-inch square brass rod.

The line itself is made of fairly heavy copper sheet folded to form a trough 21/2 inches wide and 234 inches high. The end plate is soldered into position and the inner conduc-

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FIG. 3-A SUGGESTED CIRCUIT FOR OPERATION ON FRE-QUENCIES ABOVE 300 MC.

The tank circuit may consist of two copper tubes or rods \(\frac{1}{2}'' \) or \(\frac{1}{2}'' \) diameter. The two fixed plates of C1 could be tabs of copper sheet about 1" square either soldered directly to the pipes or to sliding clamps of copper strip on the rods. The center plate of C1 may be a similar tob mounted to permit variation of its position with respect to the outer plate. A spacing of about \(\frac{1}{2}'' \) between the outer plates is suggested.

The chokes should be 15 turns of No. 32 \(\frac{1}{2}' \) inch diameter and spacel to occupy \(\frac{1}{2}'' \) inch diameter and spacel

I he choices should be 15 turns of Pro. 32 γ_2 -inch attaineter and space to occupy 11_2 inches. C₂ and C₃ (.001 μ fds) are necessary only if tubular concentric lines are used in the filament circuit. The use of small trough-type lines is recommended, however. In this case, thin mica is placed between the bottom of the trough and the copper sheet on which the transmitter is assembled. R_1 may be from 20,000 to 50,000 ohms, 10 watt rating.

tween 200 and 600 mc. we experienced extreme difficulty in obtaining satisfactory operation from a conventional two-wire tuned feeder. For that

matter, we found innumerable problems in etting up a satisfactory matched line. Strange to white, the most effective scheme in these particuby experiments proved to be the use of the oldime single-wire feeder tapped directly on the hate tank and tapped slightly off center on the otenna. With this type of transmission line we found it readily possible to avoid standing waves

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4-SHOWING THE CONSTRUCTION OF TROUGH-TYPE LINES SUITABLE FOR THE FILA-MENT CIRCUIT OF FIG. 3.

in the line and to get appreciable power into the intenna. We recommend the method as being inquestionably the simplest of them all and one which seems to be quite "sure-fire" in its operation. The feeder-preferably a length of bare opper wire—is tapped down toward the plate ed end of the plate tank and approximately 1/3 the distance from the center of the half-wave intenna to its end. Power is then applied and a meon bulb is run the length of the feeder in order to observe any standing waves which may exist. Adjustment of the tap on the antenna and at the tank end will enable the standing wave effect to be reduced to a minimum. The tapping on the tank coil is also adjusted to give the desired value of plate current. Pending further experiments we have nothing better to suggest for an sperimental antenna arrangement for frequencies

On frequencies above 300 mc., as we have alady mentioned, it will be essential to use resonant lines in the filament circuit. These lines might well be made in the "trough" manner in accordance with the sketch. With the oscillator in operation their length will be varied until the 10-load plate current is lowest. Fig. 3 shows the complete circuit for an oscillator suitable for peration above 300 mc. The plate tank may be either a split turn, as in the transmitter illustated, or a pair of parallel rods. The split stator condenser might well be made of a pair of 1-inch square copper plates with a third plate interlaving them. The inner plate could be mounted man insulated support in such a fashion that its position with respect to the outer plates could be varied. This is a type of circuit which would be wed in exploring the upper frequency limits of the tube.

It certainly is about time that we amateurs

began a thorough-going exploration of the ultraultra-high frequencies. The 316A gives us the first really efficient means of generating the power. We already have the acorn as a solution to receiving problems. Let's go.

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE 316 A

Nominal filament voltage	2.0 volts, a.c. or d.c.
Nominal filament current	3.65 amperes
Average thermionic emission	0.45 ampere
Average Characteristics at maxim and dissipation	ium direct plate voltage
Amplification factor	6.5
Plate resistance	2700 ohms
Grid to plate transconductance	2400 micromhos
Average Direct Interelectrode Cap	acitances
Plate to grid	1.6 µµfd.
Grid to filament	1.2 µµfd.
Plate to filament	0.8 µµfd.
Operation	
Maximum Ratings	
Max. direct plate voltage	450 volts
Max. direct plate current	80 milliamperes
Max. direct grid current	12 milliamperes
Max. plate dissipation	30 watts
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Radio-Frequency Oscillator or A	
Max. direct plate voltage	400 volts
Max. direct plate current	80 milliamperes
Max. direct grid current	12 milliamperes

Hudson Division Convention

for the particular tube.

Nominal carrier power at 500 Mc. 6.5 watts Grid bias or leak should be adjusted to optimum value

October 2nd and 3rd at Schenectady, N. Y.

OR the second time in the history of Hudson Division Conventions this year's affair will be held outside of New York City. And what a program is being prepared by the Schenectady Amateur Radio Association, the sponsors. Fellows, make a note of the following: Convention to be held at the Hotel Van Curler, Schenectady, N. Y., October 2nd and 3rd. It will be a gala affair. Tours through the General Electric Company plant, ultra-high-frequency demonstration, General Electric House of Magic Show; WGY, W2XAF, W2XAD Inspection Trips, good technical talks, banquet, excellent prizes and floor show. Special features are in store for the ladies. Bring the YL and the XYL, it will add to the interest.

Advance registration, \$3.50; at the door \$4.00. The sooner you send in your registration to C. H. Crawford, W2CVZ, 605 South Toll St., Scotia, N. Y., the better the chance of being taken care

What the League Is Doing

League Activities, Washington Notes, Board Actions-For Your Information

Election
Notice
To all members of the American
Radio Relay League residing in
the Central, Hudson, New England, Northwestern, Roanoke, Rocky Mountain, Southwestern, and West Gulf Divisions:

You are hereby notified that, in accordance with the constitution, an election is about to be held in each of the above-mentioned divisions to elect both a member of the A.R.R.L. Board of Directors and an alternate thereto, for the 1937–1938 term. Your attention is invited to Sec. 1 of Article IV of the constitution, providing for the government of A.R.R.L. by a board of directors; Sec. 2 of Article IV, defining their eligibility; By-Laws 11 to 21, providing for the nomination and election of directors; and By-Law 12, providing for the simultaneous election of an alternate director.

Voting will take place between November 1 and December 20, 1936, on ballots that will be mailed from the headquarters office in the first week of November. The ballots for each election will list, in one column, the names of all eligible candidates nominated for the office of director by A.R.R.L. members residing in that division; and, in another column, all those similarly named for the office of alternate. Each member will indicate his choice for each office.

Nomination is by petition. Nominating petitions are hereby solicited. Ten or more A.R.R.L. members residing in any one of the above-named divisions may join in nominating any member of the League residing in that division as a candidate for director therefrom, or as a candidate for alternate director therefrom. No person may simultaneously be a candidate for the offices of both director and alternate. A separate petition must be filed for the nomination of each candidate, whether for director or for alternate director. The following form for nomination is suggested:

(Place and date)

Executive Committee

The American Radio Relay League West Hartford, Conn.

Gentlemen:

We, the undersigned members of the A.R.R.L. residing in the Division, hereby nominate of, as a candidate for director [or for alternate director] from this division for the 1937–1938 term.

(Signatures and addresses)

The signers must be League members in good standing. The nominee must be a League member

in good standing and must be without commercial radio connections: he may not be commercially engaged in the manufacture, selling or rental of radio apparatus or literature. His complete name and address should be given. All such petitions must be filed at the headquarters office of the League in West Hartford, Conn., by noon E.S.T. of the first day of November, 1936. There is no limit to the number of petitions that may be filed. but no member shall append his signature to more than one petition for the office of director and one petition for the office of alternate director. To be valid, a petition must have the signatures of at least ten members in good standing: that is to say, ten or more members must join in executing a single document; a candidate is not nominated by one petition bearing six signatures and another bearing four signatures. Petitioners are urged to have an ample number of signatures, since nominators are frequently found not to be members in good standing.

Present directors from these divisions are as follows: Central, Mr. Edward A. Roberts, W8HC, Cleveland, Ohio; Hudson, Mr. Kenneth T. Hill, W2AHC, Douglaston, N. Y.; Northwestern, Mr. Ralph J. Gibbons, W7KV, Pendleton, Orc. Roanoke, Prof. H. L. Caveness, W4DW, Raleigh, N. C.; Rocky Mountain, Mr. Russell J. Andrews, W9AAB, Denver, Colo.; Southwestern. Mr. Charles E. Blalack, W6GG, El Centro. Calif.; West Gulf, Mr. Wayland M. Groves, W5NW, Neches, Texas. At this writing the New England directorship is vacant, a special election being in process to choose a director for the remainder of this calendar year to fill out the term of Mr. Bailey, elevated to the vice-presidency.

These elections constitute an important part of the machinery of self-government in A.R.R.L. They provide the constitutional opportunity for members to put the direction of their society in the hands of representatives of their own choice. Members are urged to take the initiative and file nominating petitions immediately.

For the Board of Directors:

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Election
Results
Because the former directors of the Atlantic and New England Divisions were elected president and vice-president, respectively, at the meeting of the Board in May, special elections

have been held in those divisions to choose new directors to finish out the terms. Thus there come two additions to the A.R.R.L. Board of Directors, Walter Bradley Martin, W3QV, of Roslyn, Pa., from the Atlantic Division; and Perey C. Noble, W1BVR, of Westfield, Mass., from the New England Division. The balloting was as follows:

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ATLANTIC DIVISION

In the Atlantic, Mr. Martin won handily over his several opponents, the tally being as follows:

Walter Bradley Martin, W3QV	441
Roy C. Corderman, W3ZD	296
Joseph P. Vancheri, W8BWH	130
Clyde L. Bunch, jr., W3DUK	23

Mr. Martin has been continuously active in amateur radio since 1920, and has long been one of the assistant directors of his division. He is president of the York Radio Club, which for years has been of 100% A.R.R.L. membership. His business is coal and builders supplies. He is an ensign in the Naval Communications Reserve. His term of office runs until the end of 1937.

NEW ENGLAND DIVISION

To serve the remaining months of 1936, before which time another election will be held, the New England Division chose Mr. Noble from a field of seven candidates, the greatest number ever nominated for an A.R.R.L. election. The voting was as follows:

Percy C. Noble, W1BVR	209
Raymond W. Woodward, W1EAO	182
Joseph A. Mullen, W1ASI	140
Frank Hawks, WIIJI	109
Horace Young, W1CAB	60
Donald S. Bennett, W1BPH	34
Isaiah Creaser, W1BSJ	22

Director Noble is by profession the principal of a grammar school in Westfield, Mass. For the last several years he has been S.C.M. for Western Massachusetts. In fact he has been amazingly active as a practicing amateur for many years back. His service affiliation is the Army, W1BVR in the net control station for the 1st Corps Area in the A.A.R.S.

Since his present term expires at the end of this year, nominations for director of the New England Division are again being solicited, so that by December a director may be elected for the 1937–38 term.

QST congratulates both the new directors and the divisions which have elected them as their representatives.

Cairo
Matters
The request of the A.R.R.L. for the widening of the 3.5- and 7-mc. bands was turned down by the United States Preparatory Committee on Allocations at its meeting on July 16th. Perhaps because virtually every service wants more space, the senti-

ment of the preparatory group is overwhelmingly in favor of maintaining the Madrid status as it is, as the only possible solution. Not even the government radio services would support our request. Our Board of Directors is deciding what steps should now be taken.

U. S. preparatory plans include a new definition of the amateur service that will strengthen our existing situation. No changes are contemplated in the international amateur regulations, Article 8.

Documents
For Sale

A few copies remain available of the "Presentation for the Amateur Service" made by the League at the June 15th hearing before the F.C.C., as reported last month; also of the annual reports of the A.R.R.L. officers to the Board of Directors, as rendered at the last annual meeting. While the supply lasts they are available to members of the League at 50 cents per copy for either, postpaid.

F.C.C. has standardized the amateur Code code examination as given by the in-Test spectors. The exam runs about 4 minutes at a speed of 65 characters per minute, the standard word being of 5 characters. During this time the applicant must copy 65 consecutive characters correctly. (Punctuation marks and figures, if any, will count as 2 characters each.) All applicants henceforth will also be required to demonstrate ability to send perfectly for one minute at 13 w.p.m., being granted up to three opportunities to do so. International regulations require both a sending and a receiving test. Candidates not passing both tests will be adjudged to have failed, may try again in 90 days.

Growth
Figures

Amateur station licenses in the U. S. showed a slight increase for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1936, with a total of 46,850. The previous year the figure was 45,561. Our net gain was 1289, or 2.8%.



A Volume-Compressing Method for 'Phone Transmission

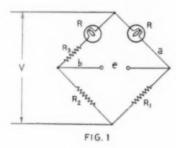
Automatic Audio Gain Control Using the Differential Thermal Bridge

By Wilbert B. Smith*

NE of the major problems facing the broadcast technician and 'phone operator is that of keeping the level fed to the transmitter constant. Too high a level means overload with its attendant distortion, while too low a level means inefficient transmission. The range of levels encountered in the usual run of transmission varies over about 40 db. For proper transmission this variation must be reduced to about 10 db.

So far, the most practical method of gain control seems to be manual; but here the personal equation enters in and slips seem to be the rule rather than the exception. For instance, the operator in anticipation of a peak reduces the gain by 20 db when 10 db would have been sufficient, resulting in the peak being relatively low by 10 db rather than approximately the same level or the original 10 db high. If an automatic gain control could be devised, the personal equation would be eliminated and ideal transmission could be approached. It remains, then, for the engineer to develop such a device having the necessary characteristics.

There are four major requirements to be met in the design of any automatic gain control. First, there must be no audio frequency distortion re-



sulting from its use; second, the device must guard against overload; third, the general character of the transmission must be preserved; and fourth, it must not bring up background noise or purposely weak signals. At first sight this seems like a rather tall order for anything short of a laboratory setup, but by utilizing the non-constant resistance-temperature characteristics of

* Radio Station CJOR, Hotel Grosvenor, Vancouver, B. C.

certain metal filaments, a suitable device can be constructed quite simply.

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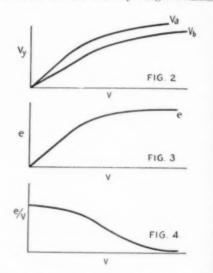
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electric light bulb. The equation linking resistance with applied voltage is approximately

$$R = R_a + KE^x,$$

which merely means that the resistance increase in proportion to the xth power of the applied voltage. Now, if this increase in resistance can be put to work to regulate the amount of audio energy passing through a circuit, the problem's solved

Consider next the differential bridge circuit in Fig. 1. The potential at point a will be

$$\begin{split} V_{a} &= \frac{R_{1} V}{R_{1} + R} \\ &= \frac{R_{1} V}{R_{1} + R_{o} + K(V - V_{a})^{2}}; \end{split}$$

and that at the point b will be

$$V_b = \frac{R_2 V}{R_2 + R_3 + R_o + K(V - V_b)^x}.$$

These two potentials are plotted against applied voltage in Fig. 2. It follows at once that the potential difference e will be the difference between these two curves, as in Fig. 3.

It may be seen at once that e is proportional to Vas long as V is small; but as V is increased, the ratio e/V becomes smaller, and e becomes more nearly constant. The ratio e/V is plotted in Fig. 4.

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Let us now analyze these curves with the automatic gain control in +164MN mind. Requirement No. 1 is fulfilled immediately, since being a purely resistance device, it can have no frequency discrimination; and because of the thermal inertia of the lamp filaments, no waveform distortion will take place at audio frequencies. Requirement No. 2 is very closely approximated, as may be seen by curves in Figs. 3 and 4. Very large increases in V cause very little increase in e, thus preventing undue overload. Of course there is the practical limit of the lamps burning out, but this may be overcome by by-passing the excess voltage through some such device as a neon bulb.

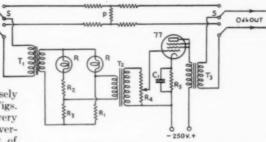
Because of the thermal inertia of the filaments, the proportion of loud to soft signals remains momentarily constant; hence the character of the transmission is unaltered, thus fulfilling requirement No. 3. Again, since the control does not begin to take place until quite an appreciable voltage V has been applied, it is impossible to bring up background noises, etc., out of proportion to the rest of the signal, thus fulfilling the last require-

It is only fair to remark that this system of automatic gain control has two important features which may or may not be classed as disadvantages; namely, it requires a very definite range of input and it is quite inefficient from the power transmitting standpoint.

In the practical design the choice of values of R, R_1, R_2, R_3 , will depend on the degree of control desired and the audio power available to drive the device. If R consists of 2-volt pilot light bulbs, and R_1 , R_2 , R_3 are each 6 ohms, with the entire bridge driven from a 10-ohm circuit at a maximum level of +16 db there exists a normal attenuation of about 16 db at low levels and of about 30 db at high levels. In other words, a variation of about 26 db is reduced to about 10 db, which is quite permissible for broadcasting. If closer regulation than this is required, two or more such sections might be used in cascadewith, of course, appropriate amplifiers preceding

The speed with which this automatic gain control is capable of acting depends entirely on the thermal inertia of the lamp filaments. Generally speaking, the time lag is about proportional to the current drawn by the filaments at incandescence. With a filament drawing about 60 milliamperes the time lag is from 1/5 to 1/10 second. If a smaller time lag than this is required, special lamps must be obtained since the 60-ma. variety s about the lowest-current type generally avail-

Fig. 5 shows a typical amplifier set-up using this system of volume control. The input signal is relatively high-level, +16 db or approximately 0.25 watt, which may be obtained conveniently



CIRCUIT OF A TYPICAL SETUP USING AUTOMATIC AUDIO GAIN CONTROL

volt pilot bulbs.

 R_1 , R_2 , R_3 —6-ohm resistors. R_4 —250,000-ohm volume control potentiometer. R_5 —2500-ohm bias resistor.

–25-µfd. by-pass condenser. -4 P.D.T. switch to cut out automatic control and cut in

pad.
—Matching transformer, 500 ohms to 10 ohms.
—Input transformer, 200 ohms to grid.
—Output transformer, plate to 500 ohms.
—Compensating pad, about 16 db attenuation; for 500ohm circuit each arm is about 180 ohms.

from a pair of 89's in push pull. Since the impedance of the thermal bridge is about 8 ohms to 10 ohms, a matching transformer must be used to couple the line to the bridge.

It was found advisable to use a coupling transformer between the bridge and the following amplifier, because of the increased step-up necessary and the leakage normally encountered. The primary impedance of this transformer should not be too low, since otherwise it will tend to equalize the potential between the points a and b, and some of the gain-control effect will be lost. A value of 200 ohms was found to be quite satisfactory.

A switch and compensating pad P may be inserted in the circuit to by-pass the automatic gain control if desired, in which case the pad should have a value equal to the attenuation of the bridge at low levels, minus the gain of the following amplifier with matching transformers, in order to make possible a smooth changeover without disturbing the overall transmission too much.

Brief

On June 27th the Private Flyers Association started its econd annual air meet at the Eugene (Oregon) Airport. 56-mc. tests between air and ground were conducted by members of the Valley Radio Club. W7FIA and W7AHZ operated a rig in a plane which flew over the airport and over the city. Communication was maintained with a ground station manned by W7KL and another ground station, which was connected to broadcast station KORE from where transmissions from the plane were rebroadcast. W7BIK was in charge of the event.

The 6L6 As Amplifier and Doubler

OW that metal tubes are apparently a definite part of our radio life, it is only natural that their adaptability in the transmitting end of things has become a subject for conjecture by many amateurs. Of them all, the beam power tube, the 6L6, is of particular interest because of its newness and electrical features. The latter, it will be recalled, include the abil-

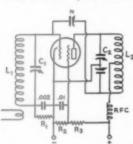


FIG. 1—THE 6L6 AS A STRAIGHT AMPLIFIER R1—50,000 to 75,000 ohms. R2—4000 ohms, 10watt. R3—30,000 ohms, 5watt.

ity to give power outputs much larger than were obtainable with forerunning receiving-type tubes.

Since the 6L6 as a crystal oscillator has already been treated, we were particularly concerned with finding out how the tube behaved as the neutralized amplifier and doubler. To get this information, a simple bread-board layout was built up, using the 6L6 in a conventional amplifier circuit driven by another 6L6 used as a Tri-tet oscillator. A 3.5-mc. crystal was used in the grid-cathode circuit of the oscillator; the plate circuit was tuned to the second harmonic, or 7 mc. Link-coupling this excitation to the grid tank of

floating. Grounding the shield added so much capacity between plate and ground that it was well-nigh impossible to strike a balance. A very small neutralizing condenser had to be used; two one-inch square pieces of aluminum, separated ½ inch or so, proved to be quite adequate. Apparently the tube is quite tolerant of neutralization—no sharply defined point of neutralization was found, but there was no tendency towards oscillation. Probably the shields could be grounded in a push-pull amplifier because of its symmetry, but the floating shield arrangement is easy to adjust, and adding the extra capacity of the shield across the tuned circuit would certainly not help the L-C ratio in the plate circuit.

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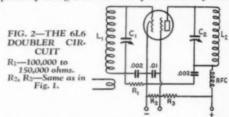
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On applying plate and screen voltages the amplifier was found to behave in a perfectly normal manner. The minimum plate current dipped to around 10 ma., and with 375 volts on the plate the plate current was run up to 90 or 95 milliamperes by using a 25-watt lamp as a dummy load.



At this input approximately 20 watts output was obtained, as measured by a Photronic cell which previously had been roughly calibrated, with the

TYPICAL RESULTS WITH THE 6L6

Excitation Freq.	Output Freq.	Plate Volts	Plate Current	Grid Current	Grid Leak	App. Output Watts	App. Efficiency
7 me.	7 mc.	375	90-95 ma.	2 ma.	50,000-	20	2007
7 mc.	14 me.	375	80 ma.	3 ma.	75,000 ohms 100,000-	20	60%
1 11101	A. mei				150,000 ohms	13-15	50%
14 mc.	28 mc.	375	60 ma.	3 ma.	100,000- 150,000 ohms	10	45%

the 6L6 amplifier, a series of tests was run to find the optimum values of grid leak, screen voltage, and other values of interest.

NEUTRALIZING

The first thing to become apparent was that if the tube was to be neutralized—and it had to be, despite previous hopes to the contrary—it would be necessary to leave the metal envelope or shield

³ Edmonds, "The 6L6 As a High-Output Crystal Oscillator," QST, June, 1936.

particular lamp, against watt-meter readings on commercial a.c. Optimum efficiency was obtained with a grid leak on the order of 50,000 to 75,000 ohms. The grid current was 2 ma., indicating very low excitation requirements.

SCREEN VOLTAGE

In working with the tube both as a straight amplifier and doubler it was found, as is common with other screen-grid type tubes, that the out-

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Oscillator-Mixer Design Considerations for the Amateur-Band Superhet

By Clinton B. DeSoto,* WICBD

HE problem of mixing is as old as the superheterodyne receiver. From the earliest autodyne oscillating "first detector" through the numerous stages of evolution-grid coupling, plate coupling, screen- and suppressorgid coupling, triode oscillators and electroncoupled oscillators, to the present-day variety of pentagrid tubes-undoubtedly the most persistent stumbling-block in superheterodyne design has been the question of efficient frequency

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Some adequate solutions have been achieved, but, unfortunately, these do not in every case hold good when the designer makes excursions into the higher-frequency region beyond the 14-mc. band. In a current attempt to design a receiver that would operate successfully in all smateur bands from 30 mc. to 3500 kc., with optimum performance in the ultra-high-frequency region, this problem was found especially troublesome. Some of the points uncovered in its examnation may be found useful by other builders of high-frequency superhets.

6K7-6L7 COMBINATION

Naturally, when starting on a new project, an attempt is made to use the latest and best materials available. In the case of a mixer, the tube that naturally comes to mind is the 6L7,1 announced a year ago as the cure-all for mixer troubles. On the lower frequencies this tube performs very successfully indeed, but at 10 meters a different story must be told. The simple fact is that at the higher frequencies it is impossible to secure sufficient oscillator voltage on the injector gid with ordinary methods, while maintaining the isolation between oscillator and mixer so essential to the operation of an amateur-band superhet. This was brought out in the work on the "simplified high-performance superhet," 2 where electron-coupling from the oscillator was found impractical even on 20 meters. The system finally adopted and described (shown in Fig. 1) was satisfactory on 14 mc., but not wholly so on 28 me., although adequate performance was achieved in comparison with other methods. The biggest disadvantage was that discarding electron-coupling appreciably lessened the oscillator stability, and the use of the 6L7 in itself did not eliminate pulling.

This system was about the best that ordinary amateur design practices could achieve, being excelled in general effectiveness only by the

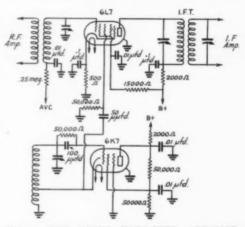


FIG. 1—THE OSCILLATOR-MIXER ARRANGE-MENT WIDELY USED IN AMATEUR-BUILT RE-CEIVERS

It is satisfactory on frequencies below 15 mc. Alternatively, coupling may be direct to the 6K7 control grid, with more interaction, or by electron-coupling to the plate, with less. The e.c. arrangement is satisfactory below 7 mc., but not at 20 meters.

critical and frequently troublesome combination of a 24-A oscillator coupled to the control-grid of a pentode mixer. Yet the unavoidable compromises were, at the least, undesirable. These were:

1. Low conversion efficiency. 6L7 conversion conductance is given as 425 micromhos with 15 volts on the No. 3 grid, but only 200 with 7.5. (In speaking here and later in this article of the "injection-grid voltage," the voltage referred to is that developed in the injection-grid resistor by the flow of rectified r.f. current furnished by the oscillator. The injection grid is leak-biased, in other words.)

2. Oscillator instability. In contrast to relatively stable electron-coupling, pulling of several hundred cycles was experienced with cathodecoupling from oscillator, of kilocycles with the alternative control-grid coupling.

In the present investigation, it was a relatively simple matter to cure the first difficulty by increasing oscillator power. A metal tube being

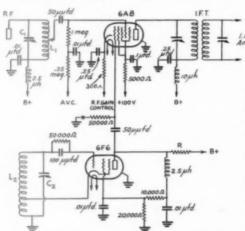
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1 "Data on the Metal-Shell Receiving Tubes," QST, p. 35, ldy, 1935; "Using the 6L7 to Improve Superhet Perform-ma," QST, p. 48, Feb., 1936.

1 "Building a Simplified High-Performance Superhet,"

⁽ST, p. 19, April, 1936.

desired for the position, the 6F6 audio power pentode was finally selected as the most logical choice, having considerable power-handling ability and adequate internal and external shielding. By pushing this hard, it was possible with cathode coupling to get adequate output to operate the



THE COMBINATION FOUND SUCCESSFUL ON 28 MC.

An electron-coupled power pentode oscillator is used in conjunction with a 6A8 pentagrid mixer.

R should be of such a value that the current flowing at the point marked X is not less than 100 microamperes (preferably not less than 200) at the highest operating frequency, and not more than 500 microamperes at the

lowest.
Leaving the shield on the 6F6 floating rather than grounded gives somewhat better output.
A tuned plate r.f. amplifier is recommended for ultrahigh frequency work, with resistance coupling to the mixer grid. The coupling condenser should be of the large 1000 or 2500-volt type, with low-loss bakelite or ceramic insulation; the coupling resistor should be stable, with low capacity, one of the new 1-watt molded types being suggested. The position of the tap on L1 must be determined experimentally for maximum gain, the type of r.f. amplifier tube and gain of the pre-selector affecting its location.

C₁ and C₂ are the lumped tuning and trimmer capaci-ties, etc., in the tuned circuit. L₁ and L₂ can be designed in accordance with suggestions in the text.

6L7 properly, but frequency stability was poor. With electron-coupling, on the other hand, an input of several watts to the 6F6 was requiredand having a young transmitter in the receiver introduces plenty of complications in the way of circuit isolation, shielding, etc.

PENTAGRIDS AND PENTAGRIDS

At this point a critical eye was turned on the 6L7. According to the dope sheets its most important virtue was its elimination of "pulling" effects. Yet here, with instability rampant, it obviously was not doing a very good job. Perhaps a different tube-one of the other pentagrid types-could be successfully substituted. In the glass tube line the 2A7 and the 6A7 had been found to be reasonably good mixers when used with separate oscillators. Perhaps the improved

metal-tube counterpart, the 6A8,1 would be "over on the alkaline side," too. Certainly, it had more "ginger" in its characteristics, giving 425 micromhos conversion conductance (the 6L7 peak for 15 volts) at but 150 oscillator-grid microamperes or. with a 50,000-ohm leak, 7.5 volts.

The 6A8 proved to be a willing worker. Direct substitution in the 6L7 socket with no change in operating potentials resulted immediately in stronger signals. Not only was the oscillator voltage requirement less, but, all other conditions being maintained the same. the injector grid current in the 6A8 was approximately double that in the 6L7 on 28 mc. with the same oscillator input-presumably because of the difference in the internal impedance of the tube due to the location of the No. 3 grid higher in the electron-stream. And, highly gratifying from the stability standpoint, the 6F6 could be used electron-coupled with entire success.

The net result of the change-over was that the conversion efficiency on 28 mc. increased to optimum, and the oscillator stability was entirely adequate. That was fine-on 28 mc. On the lower frequency bands, however, a new problem pre-

sented itself.

In the case of the 6L7 the minimum oscillator voltage was important. That minimum reached, almost any reasonable higher value can be used satisfactorily. The 6A8, due to the different element order, is more critical. Too much, as well as too little, voltage on the No. 1 or oscillator grid lowers the conversion efficiency. The recommended minimum and maximum range lies between 100 and 500 microamperes (5 to 25 volts), ranging from 300 to 500 micromhos conductance with a peak of 515 at about 400 µa. The highest conversion efficiency is realized when the oscillator provides between 10 and 25 volts across a 50,000-ohm leak. (Incidentally, it may be remarked here that at the present time both 6A8's and 6L7's are far from uniform insofar as the effective injection-grid current flowing with a given applied oscillator power is concerned, differences as great as 25 per cent being noted between different new tubes, fresh from the carton. Some care should be taken to pick one that is easily driven.)

It was relatively easy to obtain 10 volts at 28 mc. However, with the arrangement first set up, considerably more than 25 volts was had at 3500 kc. A re-design of the tuned circuits brought the effects within the above limits-use of a 28-mc. coil with high Q and feedback (cathode tap half way between grid and ground) and of a 3.5-mc. coil with relatively low Q and reduced feedback. (Cathode tap ¼th up from ground.)

COIL DESIGN AND INSULATION

This brings up the important point of coil design at 28 mc. There is little new to be said on

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1936 DX-Contest Results

THE DX portals were open wide during A.R.R.L.'s Eighth International Competition, March 14–22, 1936. It was as though OM Handy had waved a magic wand summoning the elusive and rare DX out of hiding. If ever the bands were alive with new countries, new stations and new records in the making, it was during the 1936 DX-Contest! WAC's, TBTOC's and FBTOC's were accomplished by the score. It is estimated that stations were active in at least 100 countries; WSCRA alone heard stations in 87 countries!

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An all-time high in amateur contest participation is represented by the 1521 operators in the sore list! 1103 operators in the United States and Canada and 418 in 68 foreign countries and outside localities reported their contest work. We wish to gratefully acknowledge the assistance of Ken Bishop, W1EWD, in the tremendous task of checking and tabulating scores!

HIGH W/VE SCORERS

Well in the lead among the U. S. and Canadian participants is Dave Evans, W4DHZ, Atlanta, Ga., with 91,530 points—226 QSO's with 69 different foreign localities in 86 hours and 40 minutes' operating time!! It should be noted that 69 is a new record for number of countries worked during any single contest. W4DHZ used an HK354 in his final stage with 900 watts input on 35, 7, 14 and 28 mc. He worked 9 countries on 35, 39 on 7, 58 on 14 and 29 on 28 mc.

Second-high in the W/VE group is W3SI, Charlie Meyers, Harrisburg, Pa.—79,788 points, 218 QSO's with 62 different countries. W3SI operated a total of 77 hours, 10 minutes, using a kilowatt input on 3.5, 7, 14 and 28 mc. 8 countries were worked on 3.5, 34 on 7, 56 on 14 and 24 on 28 mc.

Third-high position goes to Ralph Thomas, W2UK, Quogue, N. Y., who made 222 QSO's with 68 foreign localities for a total score of 75,210 in an operating time of 86 hours, 59 minutes. Three bands were used with 1-kw. input on each. 29 countries were worked on 28, 63 on 14 and 23 on 7 mc.

Congratulations are extended to W4DHZ, W3SI and W2UK on their excellent work! The highest scoring Canadian is VE2EE with 27,594 points. Any score over 40,000 is "not to be sneezed at," and we list here all other W's topping that figure: W2BYP 69,495, W1FH 61,263, W1DZE 59,622, W9TB 58,195, W2AIW 58,176, W6GRL (3 oprs.) 57,222, W1ZI 54,795, W1SZ 53,550, W2DC 51,700, W6CXW (2 oprs.) 50,661, W3EMM 50,102, W1TS 48,609, W3DMQ 46,636, W3EYS 43,860, W5EHM 41,850, W1CMX

41,571, W9IJ 40,908, W1EWD 40,568, W6KRI 40,416

The greatest number of QSO's was made by W4DHZ—226. W2UK was second with 222, followed by W3SI 218, W2BYP 205, W9TB 198, W1ZI 191, W2AIW 191, W1FH 189, W6GRL (3 oprs.) 187, W3EMM 178, W1DZE 177, W3DMQ 176, W2DC 173, W1SZ 172, W3EYS 172, W1TS 165, W9IJ 164, W6CXW (2 oprs.) 160, W1EWD 158, W6GRX 157, W5EHM 155, W1CMX 151, W8LEA 150.

The highest multipliers (total of different countries worked on each band used) are credited to the following, indicating greatest agility in use of bands and greatest ability to ferret out the most countries: W4DHZ 135, W3SI 122, W2UK 115, W1DZE 114, W2BYP 113, W1FH 108, W1SZ 104, W9TB 103, W6GRL (3 oprs.) 102, W6CXW (2 oprs.) 102, W2AIW 101, W2DC 100, W1ZI 99, W1TS 99, W6KRI 96, W3EMM 94, W1CMX 93, W5EHM 90, W2CBO 89, W3DMQ 89.

Those working the greatest number of different countries are W4DHZ 69, W2UK 68, W1DZE 62, W3SI 62, W6KRI 61, W6CXW (2 oprs.) 60, W1SZ 59, W6GRL (3 oprs.) 58, W1FH 57, W1TS 57, W2BYP 56, W9TB 55, W1ZI 55, W3DMQ 55, W6GRX 53, W1CMX 53, W2CBO 52, W8LEA 52, W1EZ 50, W3EMM 50, W2DC 50, W6FQY 50, W5EHM 49, W6CUH 49.

The highest scoring station in each W/VE district: W1FH, W2UK, W3SI, W4DHZ, W5EHM, W6GRL, W7AMX, W8LEA, W9TB, VE1EA, VE2EE, VE3WA, VE4IG, VE5EO.

HIGH FOREIGN SCORERS

Head and shoulders above all participants is XE2N, Juan Lobo y Lobo, with the amazing total of 189,081 points!! He made 1370 QSO's with all 14 W/VE districts! Power at XE2N was 150 watts input. The 3.5-, 7-, 14- and 28-mc. bands were used. 15.2 QSO's per operating hour were averaged! We believe XE2N has made a record that will stand for some time. FB, OM!

EA4AO, J. M. deCordova, is second-high world scorer with 122,180 points—an eye-opener bettered only by XE2N's accomplishments! EA4AO made 1002 QSO's with all W/VE districts using 3.5-, 7-, 14- and 28-mc. bands and operating the full 90 hours. Power used was 1 kw. on 7 and 14 mc., 800 watts on 3.5 mc. and 600 watts on 28 mc.

Other noteworthy foreign scores: D4ARR 90,000, F8EB 85,100, K5AY 83,244, EA8AO 74,100, K4KD 72,360, ZL2KK 71,820, F8EO 67,977, VK3MR 66,842, OA4J 65,975, EA3EG 59,346, EA4BM 54,848, K6CGK 52,410, HJ3AJH

51,156, FA8BG 50,717, HB9J 50,505, K7PQ 50,352, NY2AB 50,304, CM2AD 50,112. The following each made over 30,000: EI8B (2 oprs.), K6AUQ, OK2AK, OK1BC, D4BIU, PAØPN. K4DDH, ZL1DV, F8KJ, PAØUN, G6NJ, K6IDK, VK2EO, VK7JB, XE1AA, VK3CP, G6NJ. K6IDK, VK2E0 ZL2KI, CX1CG.

The highest multipliers (total of different W/VE districts worked on each band used) are credited to XE2N 47, F8EB 46, K4KD 45, K4DDH 43, K5AY EA3EG 42, EA4AO 41, D4ARR OK2AK 40, FA8BG F8EO 39, VK3MR EA8AO 38, CM2FA G2PL 37, ZL2KK G5YG (2 oprs.) 36, OA4J, VK3CP, XE1AA, HB9J, F8KJ 35. A multiplier of 30 or higher was made at 43 stations.

87 foreign participants made 200 or more QSO's. Those making the greatest number include XE2N 1370, EA4AO 1002, D4ARR 750, K5AY 666, ZL2KK 665, EA8AO 653, OA4J 642 F8EB 617, HJ3AJH 611, K6CGK 603, F8EO 595, VK3MR 592, EA4BM 588, EI8B (2 oprs.) 550, CM2AD 550, K4KD 536, K6AUQ 536 NY2AB 524, K7PQ 520, D4BIU 514, EA3EG 508, K6IDK 506.

The highest scoring station in each continent: Africa—EA8AO, 74,100. Asia—J2LO, 12,117. Europe-EA4AO, 122,180. North America-XE2N, 189,081. Oceania-ZL2KK, 71,820. South

America-OA4J, 65,975.

GENERAL

Several new rules were introduced in the 1936 DX-Contest each of which met with the widespread approval of a majority of contestants. The "quota" rule, whereby it was permitted to work only three stations in any given country on any one band, is believed to have reduced ORM and to have increased the number of countries worked. It was allowed to work the same station on more than one band provided the quota of three for any one country was not exceeded on any band. The basic number exchanges as proof of contact were retained as in previous years with the slight change that the first three numbers of the groups consisted of the RST report of the station worked; this was found advantageous in that it speeded up QSO's. The multiplier used to determine the final score this year consisted of the total of the different countries (or total of W/VE districts, in the case of foreign contestants) worked on each frequency band used. The same country could be worked on a different band and could then again be included in the multiplier. This helped QRM since it caused greater diversification in use of bands, spreading operating among more bands than in previous years. A total of 90 operating hours was permitted. For more than 90 hours of operation the Grand Total Score was multiplied by 90/number of hours.

Approximately 4.3% of all W/VE participants and 10.6% of foreign contestants used 4 bands.

This would indicate that amateurs in the foreign localities make a more even use of the various bands, whereas W/VE amateurs are slower to diversify their operation. However, W6ITH and VE1EA were the only reporting participants who made successful contacts on 5 bands-1.75, 35. 7, 14 and 28 mc. 28 mc. was wide open during the contest and proved a match for the popular 14. me. band.

Certificate awards are being made to the leading operators in each A.R.R.L. Section and each foreign country and outside locality. Scores were received from 68 countries and localities (including P. I., Hawaii and Alaska sections) and from 65 A.R.R.L. Sections; awards are being made in all Sections except Mississippi, from which no

entry was received.

The usual complaints were made about bad notes, long CQ's, unnecessarily long calls, CQ's by W/VE contestants, out-of-band operation, edgeof-hand operation, QRM from thoughtless individuals tuning up during busy operating periods and not enough use of the QHM, QML series of abbreviations. There are always these things to "gripe," but the majority sentiment is that "it was plenty of fun, regardless!"

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This report would not be complete without a word of praise for the many operators who sacrificed contest points to assist in the flood emergency work, which broke right in the middle of the competition. Too much cannot be said for their splendid showing of cooperation! They won the admiration of the whole fraternity! An interesting sidelight, showing at the same time that 3.5-mc. conditions were certainly good for DX during the contest, is that W1BDI had to call a foreign operator on "80-meters" and ask him to change frequency because he was QRMing flood emergency work!

CLUB AWARDS

Special certificates offered to the highest scoring operator in each A.R.R.L.-affiliated club where three or more individual members took part and submitted scores are being awarded to the following: W2AYJ, Northern Nassau Wireless Ass. (Sea Cliff, N. Y.); W3BZE, Richmond (Va. Short Wave Club; W3DMQ, The Frankford Radio Club (Phila., Pa.); W4AAQ, Birminghan (Ala.) Amateur Radio Club; W4DIQ, Jackson ville (Fla.) Radio Club; W4OG, Winston-Salen (N. C.) Amateur Radio Club; W6LEA, The Oakland (Calif.) Radio Club; W8ACQ, operating W8CJJ, Elmira (N. Y.) Radio Amateur Ass. W8IIL, Beaver Valley Amateur Radio Chi (Aliquippa, Pa.); W8LVH, Westlake Amateu Radio Assn. (Rocky River, Ohio); W9AFN South Town Amateur Radio Assn. (Chicago Ill.); W9GIL, Milwaukee Radio Amateurs' Club W9KA, Chicago Radio Traffic Ass. W9LKI, Fort Wayne (Ind.) Radio Club W9RCQ, Egyptian Radio Club (Nameoki, Il.

Awards are made only when three or more club members report. Amateurs in 57 clubs submitted entries but we are able to make but fifteen awards. If the secretary of any A.R.R.L.-affiliated club where an award has not been made will notify us of three members who took part in the contest and renorted, we will gladly award a certificate to the highestscorer promptly upon receipt of the information.

Attention is called to May QST (page 35) where Don Mix, W1TS, presented some interesting contest highlights, and to "DX Notes" in July QST where many items of interest on contest participation are listed. Those two references coupled with this report provide a complete picture of the 1936 DX-Contest.

As VE2EE aptly puts it, "Another contest has

faded into history. A battle of wits, good operating and good equipment. I tip my hat to the boys with the big scores." In many a ham shack plans are now being made for "next year's battle"and those plans, no doubt, include beam antennas East, West, North, South; s.s. supers; and 1-kw. input! FB, but don't forget that a good dose of "operating ability" will help, too!

VK3OC's desk calendar for the last day of the contest carried this appropriate quotation:

"Weariness

Can snore upon the flint, when rusty sloth Finds the down pillow hard."

-Shakespeare.

Amen!

-E. L. B.

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WIEWD	40568-	88-4-/	AB-802	WIBFT	23667-		
WILED	10120-			WIAVJ	10212-		
W1FTR	8096-	44-2-	B				
W1FUP	8040-			Vermont			
W1DGG		40-3-		WIEZ	25875-	60-3-	B-90
WIJPE	6264-			W1BJP	15517-		
WIGME	4350-			W3EEB-1		19-2-	
WIGCX	3936-			WIGNE*		5-1-	
WIIBT	3810-			MIGNE	120-	9-1-	14
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WIWR	2574-			WIAKR	16632-	24.9	D 75
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WIAB	1600-			WIGKJ		24-2-	
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W1IOV		16-1-		WICEQ		9-1-	
WIGVV		15-3-		WIBOR		10-1-	
W1BHM		12-3-		WICDX*		7-1-	
W1MK		13-2-		WIEIO	105-	5-1-	A-21
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WIJLT	11466-			W2GKR	14098-		
WIAFU	5700-			W2ALB	12950-		
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	3024-			W2BEF	12150-		
WIBGY	1950-		A-14	W2EIL	11092-		
WIBDW	1500-			W2CTO	11074-		
W1FPP		13-1-		W2BJ	10368-		
WIIKT		12-1-		W2GTZ	10206-		
W1FAK*	506-	11-1-	24	W2AYJ	7956-	39-2-	B-45

Scores

Eighth International DX Competition

Operator of the station first-listed in each Section and Country is winner for that territory, unless otherwise indi-tited. . . Asterisks denote stations not entered in contest, reporting to assure credit for stations worked. . . . The multiplier used by each station in determining score is given with the score-in the case of W/VE entrants this is the total of the different countries worked on each frequency band used; in the case of non-W/VE participants is the total of the different W/VE Districts worked on each frequency band. .. The number of bands on which successful contacts were made is next listed. . . . The letters A, B and C approximate the power input at each station; A indicates over up to and including 100 watts input; B indicates over 100 watts up to and including 500 watts; and C indicates our 500 watts. In cases where power was varied, this is shown by the use of more than one letter. . . . The total perating time to the nearest hour is given for each station speaking time to the hearest hour is given for each station and is the last figure following the score. . . . Example of Istings: W1FH 61236-108-4-B-90, or, Final Score 61236, multiplier 108, 4 frequency bands used, power over 100 usts and not exceeding 500 watts, total operating time 10 hours. . . .)

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WIFH	61236-108-4- B-90	WIIOB	2438- 23-1- A-21
WIDZE	59622-114-3- B-89	W1BWJ	2318- 19-1- B-31
WIZI	54795- 99-3-BC-90.	5W1FET	2121- 21-2- A-39
W1CMX	41571- 93-3- B-90	WIICA	2001- 23-3- A-33
WIBUX	34830- 86-3- B-85	W1NA*	1900- 20-1- B-31
WIME	26483- 71-4- B-58	WIJAF	1360- 20-1- B-51
WIRY	22360- 65-4- B-72	WIJOO	1216- 16-1241
WIAXA	17818- 59-3- C-71	WIDDO	1056- 16-318
WIHXW	14025- 55-3-AC-63	WIIKU	884- 13-3- A-23
WIHX	11562- 47-4-AB-55	WIHPV	728- 13-2
W1WV	10704- 48-4- B-84	W1IBD*	648- 12-1- B
WIGLE	10675- 43-3- A-55	W1DHI*	612- 12-1
WIBKL	9947- 49-4-AB-61	WIBB	552- 12-2- C-10
WICJP	8862- 42-3- B-66	W1BFR	495- 11-1- B-16
WICEZ	8694- 42-3- A-41	W1CMZ	459- 9-1- A-25
WIHER	8569- 41-2- B-58	WIKH	374- 17-4-AB-10
WIDMA	8040- 40-3- B-81	W1DDE	324- 9-2- A- 7
WICCA	7998- 43-3- B-73	W1KM*	297- 9-1
WIGDY	5508- 34-3- B-32	WIIDU	279- 9-1- A-25
WIGNE	4031- 29-2- B-46	WilyJ	185- 5-1- B- 5
WILQ	3050- 25-2- B	WIICI	162- 6-1-AB-20

"Harvard University Radio Club; oprs. W1HKK, W9KBS, W8KIP. The Conn. award goes to W1EWD since W1SZ and W1TS both of HQ's) are not eligible. Aero Radio Club of Torrington: oprs. W1KWK ISG IRH JIJ FND DNJ BQL. H. M. Stevenson, L. op., Two oprs.; W2CPU 12 pts. Three oprs., A. Talamini, D. Peacock, B. Wiebe, Portable at Linden, N. J. Portable at Humington, Vt. iD Dickinson Radio Club, Carlisle, P. e.; oprs. W3ELV DHO BKV BML FOW CBK. Two oprs., W7ALS, opr. 13 W3ELS, opr. 14 Portable at Gainesville, Fla. 15 Due to a question on this score, a North Carolina award sate size been made. 18 Portable at Houston, Texas. 17 Portable at Tucumeari, N. Mex. 18 Due to a question on individual-operator was at W6GRL and W6CXW; H. y. and Sam Sasaki. 19 Portable at Tucumeari, N. Mex. 18 Due to a question on individual-operator was at W6GRL and W6CXW; H. y. and Sam Sasaki. 19 Portable at San Jacinto, Calli 29 Portable at Los Angeles 312-04 Club; W6JBO, opr. 18 December 19 December 19

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Southwestern Division Convention

Los Angeles, Calif., October 3rd and 4th

The Place: Hotel Biltmore.

Time: Starting Saturday, October 3rd. Auspices: Federation of Radio Clubs of the

Southwest.

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Midwest Division Convention

Topeka, Kansas, October 17th-18th

TOPEKA will be the Mecca towards which the radio amateur pilgrims will trek for the official Midwest Division Convention to be held at the Hotel Kansan, October 17th and 18th, under the auspices of the Kaw Valley Radio Club. Needless to tell the amateurs that this convention will far exceed our former state convention. Good speakers are assured and there will be plenty of entertainment also. A representative from A.R.R.L. in the person of Clark C. Rodimon, managing editor, and well known over the air as "Roddy" of W1SZ, will be present.

Further information may be obtained from Frank K. Tiffany, president, 1512 West 21st St.,

Topeka, Kansas.

Strays "

When cheap milliammeters go bad under overload, the trouble is that the small permanent magnet in back of the solenoid has lost its magnetism. The needle no longer goes back to zero but flops loosely all over the scale. To fix it, take the meter apart and take out the small magnet. Wind some cotton-covered wire, about No. 20, around it, starting with one pole and going around to the other; the direction of winding is not important. Then connect the wires to a



storage battery for a moment. The magnetism will be restored and the meter will be as good as ever. The calibration should not be seriously affected



DIXIE JONES' **OWLJUICE**

WISH fone guys would git another word for mojulation. I'm sicka hearin' it. Ever time you tune one of these monkeys in you can bet your last blame dime that he'll say "mojulation" seven times before he stops talkin'. Of course, I don't hafto lissen, but fone guys is guys like other guys, except the difference, and lots of them I call friend in spite of their affliction, and I lissen in a lot in hopes that some day I'll hear one of them say sumpn I want to know about like for instance how is he, and how's the younguns, and is he still got a job, and does the OW still love him as much as could be expected, and things like that, but all I heard so far is mojulation. One time this writer was a Signal Corps soldier on his way to be a radio op in Nome. My little group had to tarry at Fort Lawton, on the fringes of Seattle, for a week or two, awaiting a steamer to take us to the land of dog teams and dried salmon and thermometers with the zero mark half way up. Fort Lawton was garrisoned by negro troops, a disquieting circumstance to those of us from a land where it is contrary to long established custom for whites and negroes to eat together. There may be "abolition men and maids" somewhere within the vast throng of readers of this magazine which has no rival, who will say that the custom is more honored in the breach than the observance. I do not know. I merely state a fact. I follow the customs of my clan, as a rule, but not to the extent of going hungry. My quick decision to eat was accelerated by the fact, that negro soldiers, throughout the Army, probably realizing their handicap, swing hard in the other direction, and positively glow, glisten, shine and sparkle with cleanliness. At the mess hall door a Georgia youth newly arrived and mentally unprepared for what he saw gave voice to his objections to breaking a custom of the land we know. A solemn old patriarchal negro mess sergeant standing by the open portals watching the hungry horde file into his spotless domain, heard, and rumbled deep within the capacious confines of his dusky interior: "Go on in, white boy, God made us dis way." Negro soldiers are soldiers like white soldiers, except the difference. Perhaps it is just as well that our feller man comes in assorted shades and sizes and in different degrees of mental inaptitude, but I still wish fone men would say sumpn else for a change. -W4IR of the "Dixie Squinch Owl"

HINTS and KINKS for the Experimenter



Transceiver à la "Minute Man"

AN ADAPTATION of the popular "Minute Man" 56-mc. receiver, originally described in October 1935 QST, to make it into a trans-

The various send-receive switches shown should of course all be on one handle-a triple-pole double-throw switch, in other words. The transformer T may be one of the kind made for transceivers or a home-brewed gadget of the type

made by W9KNZ, who adapted a midget audio transformer by winding 300 turns of No. 32 wire over the other coils for the microphone.

The antenna used with the transceiver consisted of two wires each about four feet long. These can be cut more nearly to resonance in the band if desired. The antenna coil, L_1 , should be moved around in relation to L_2 to give optimum coupling, as judged by reception. One good feature of the rig is that as a receiver the radiation seems to be negligible.

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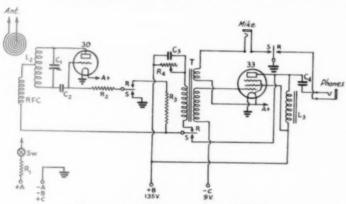


FIG. 1-"MINUTE MAN" TRANSCEIVER

-Two-plate midget va-riable, low-loss. -100 μμfd. -0.25 μfd. C₄—0.1 µfd. R₁—3 ohms. R₂—10,000 ohms. R₃—5 megohms.

and self supporting.

R4—50,000 ohms variable. L1—Four turns in flat spiral. -0.25 µfd. R3-5 megohms. -10 turns No. 14, ½ inch inside diameter, spaced diameter of wire.

-See text. C-45 turns No. 25 cotton-covered wire, inside diameter ¼ inch, close wound

R.F. Amplifier for the "Minute Man"

ceiver for portable work has been made by B. P. Hansen, W9KNZ. The revamped circuit, which besides working well has the virtue of using about the minimum of parts, is shown in Fig. 1. Aside

FIG. 2-SELF-RESONANT REGENERATIVE STAGE FOR THE "MINUTE MAN" RECEIVER

The tap for cathode and antenna should be a few turns from the ground end—not far enough to permit the tube to oscillate.

from following the specifications given, the constructor will find no special precautions necessary except the usual one of making all r.f. leads short.

A SUGGESTION for using a broadly-tuned r.f. amplifier with the "Minute Man" receiver also comes from W9KNZ, these amplifiers being in wide use among the Colorado five-meter gang as a means for preventing radiation. He writes:

"The r.f. stage is nothing but a 36 with conventional values. The only unconventional thing is the antenna being brought into the cathode tap and the fact that the cathode is tapped up on the grid coil a little to give some regeneration. The primary of the r.f. transformer (interstage) is the spiral pancake coil mentioned in the original article on this receiver (Oct. '35 QST). The r.f. socket must be placed so that the plate lead is of negligible length, and the cold end of the plate coil must be by-passed to ground by a good mice condenser through the shortest possible path. Slotting both the detector and r.f. tube bases between all pins also will help. Everything the original article said about the operation of this receiver still applies. The r.f. grid coil is made of No. 18 bell wire, 22 turns 1/2 inch in diameter, close wound. By varying the turns a little one way or

the other the coil can be made to peak pretty well over the five-meter band."

The circuit is given in Fig. 2.

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BCL trouble among about twenty-four b.creceivers located in the same apartment building with my transmitter had refused to respond to traps, "broom-handle" chokes, filters, new antennas or changes in the operating fre-

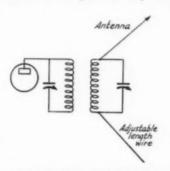


FIG. 3—COMPENSATING FOR WRONG ANTENNA LENGTH IN THE END-FED ANTENNA SYSTEM

quency. This condition had caused self-imposed quiet hours for about two years. Key clicks and thumps were eliminated by conventional methods but blanketing remained very serious, especially in an old t.r.f. relic. The finally-discovered cure—and an absolute cure at that—was the insertion of one "pie" of a National R100 choke right at the antenna post of the BCL receiver. The cure was so complete that the owner of the aforementioned set, whose antenna is about ten leet from mine, does not know when this station is on the air, either with 'phone or c.w.

A word of instruction: Insert all four pies of the choke first, and tune the receiver to the highest-frequency b.c. station audible at the time. Cut out pies as necessary until the b.c. station maximum volume is slightly attenuated—not more than 25% by ear. One pie does the trick on most jobs, but in the case of an indoor antenna it is sometimes necessary to pull a few turns off even one pie. Save the other three pies—they are OK for the same purpose when mounted on a burned-out resistor.

-J. Stanley Brown, W3EHE

Kink for Using Single-Wire End-Fed Antennas

HERE'S a tip from Bill Reeder, W2HLX, which may help some of those hams having touble with end-fed antennas when coupling to the final tank is through an additional tuned circuit. He writes:

"In using the end-fed single-wire antenna system I find that the set-up does not always function properly. A parallel tuned coil and condenser circuit will load up an r.f. amplifier regardless of whether an antenna is coupled to it or not. I have found that sometimes although my antenna tuning circuit loaded the r.f. amplifier very nicely, very little r.f. energy was getting into the antenna. This trouble was due to incorrect length of the antenna proper and was cured as follows: Another wire, the length of which must be determined by the cut and try method, is connected to the opposite side of the antenna tuning circuit, as shown in Fig. 3. The length of this wire is adjusted until an equal amount of r.f. voltage, as judged by a neon bulb, is present at both ends of the antenna coil. Often if the antenna is not the right length exactly all the r.f. voltage tends to be at the end of the antenna coil opposite from the

"One very useful application of this arrangement is when a station has several different frequencies. In this case a number of single-pole switches can be inserted in the wire for adjusting the length to suit the frequency."

Some Zepp Pointers

IT IS surprising how few amateurs are using the once popular Zepp antenna since the advent of crystal control. Many amateurs contend that this type of antenna will not couple tightly enough to draw sufficient power from their amplifiers and so

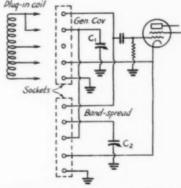


FIG. 4—WITH THIS CIRCUIT, EITHER GENERAL COVERAGE OR FULL SPREAD OF AN AMATEUR BAND CAN BE OBTAINED ON THE SAME COIL WITHOUT RESETTING A VARIABLE CONDENSER

C₁ is the tuning condenser (100 to 140 µµfd. maximum capacity). C₂, a screwdriver adjusted air padder, is the band-setting condenser which is adjusted only once. Band-spread or general coverage is obtained by shifting the coil from one socket to the other.

they use single-wire matched impedance antennas which are difficult to get working properly. I believe the following dope will help these men to

build a Zepp which will outperform most "yardstick tuned" single-wire affairs.

To begin with, the multiple 1.56 times the wavelength in meters is a little short—so short, in fact, that an antenna so designed will fall too far above the crystal frequency to resonate properly. The multiple used here is 1.59 and thus a 65-foot flat-top will tune to 7228 kc. and a 66.5-foot one to 7185. This is proven by tuning a self-excited oscillator to the antenna and measuring the frequency.

A Zepp is a one-frequency affair. No amount of juggling a feeder series condenser will affect the length of the flat-top. Therefore we can cut the feeders to half the length of the flat-top minus the number of feet of wire in the antenna coil. Thus an antenna 66 feet long with 3 feet of wire in the antenna coil will use feeders 31.5 feet long. This

eliminates the series condensers.

Most manufactured feeder spreaders are too short. Sterling's Manual is my authority for using 1/200th wave spacing or 7 inches for the 40meter band.² The simplest low-loss spacers may be

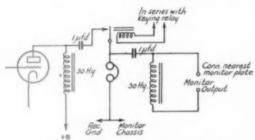


FIG. 5—CONTINUOUS MONITORING WITH PRO-VISION FOR ELIMINATING RECEIVER NOISE WHEN TRANSMITTING

This circuit is readily applied when the transmitter is keyed through a relay.

made by using a hard rubber dowel 8 inches long with hack-saw cuts in the ends and machine screws passed through to tighten them to the wires. The rods come in two-foot lengths and a pair of these will make six spacers, which is enough for quarter-wave feeders at 40 meters.

No. 14 wire is the easiest to work and will carry all the antenna power an amateur may legally use.

¹ In many cases the opposite has been found to be true, the factor 1.56 giving an antenna length slightly too great for the frequency. The length for a given frequency will vary somewhat with local conditions; if the antenna is to be adjusted exactly to frequency a little cut and try is called for.—Editor.

² The closer the wires the better the cancellation of the

² The closer the wires the better the cancellation of the fields about them, hence the requirement that the spacing should be small compared to the wavelength. Since the capacity between wires increases as the spacing is reduced, closely-spaced feeders will show larger currents for a given amount of power, which tends to increase the ohmic losses slightly. Neither factor is of great importance in the ordinary amateur tuned feed line, however, customary practice being a fair compromise.—Editor.

Paraffin-impregnated wood is not recommended for spreaders because in my experience they leak in damp weather and throw the system out of tune.

To make the system even more low loss the antenna insulator is slipped along the flat-top to the proper spot and the wire twisted around the insulator and brought down as a feeder. This does away with a soldered connection and the antenna is one piece from skywire to antenna coil!

It is well to remember that a half-wave antenna radiates best broadside. This effect may be marked, and on a low-power rig here it meant the difference between working Africa, Hong Kong and Japan with a north and south antenna and merely Australia with the same antenna pointed east and west.

Many of these Zepps are in use around Los Angeles with consistently good results. Accuracy in measuring the wire and care to keep the antenna far enough from tin roofs to prevent absorption are the main considerations. Also it is poor practice to use a No. 10 flat-top and No. 16 feeders. No. 14 is cheap now and four bits or so is a good investment in the most important part of your station.

Calibrated Band-Spread and General Coverage With the Same Coil

HE idea diagrammed in Fig. 4 is suggested by The idea diagrammed in Fig. 7. The circuit Thomas C. Moore, VE3AFT. The circuit shown is particularly adapted to a superhet oscillator when used with a separately-tuned first detector circuit, in which case the rather uncritical tuning of that circuit makes band-spread unnecessary. Two coil sockets are used, with the wiring arranged so that when the coil is plugged in the "general coverage" socket the tuning condenser, C_1 , is connected across the whole coil. In the "band-spread" socket, the padder, C2, is connected across the coil, while the tuning condenser is connected across a number of turns which will spread the particular band satisfactorily. In practice C2 is set to bring the band on C1 when the coil is in the band-spread socket; no further adjustments are necessary when going to general coverage. The advantage of this system is that both the band-spread and general coverage ranges can be calibrated, since the business of returning a band-setting condenser to a predetermined point to hit the band is climinated, along with errors in setting.

The same idea can be applied to the regular regenerative detector circuit by making provision for antenna coupling. The antenna might be connected directly to the cathode tap, as was done in the QST two-tube receiver, or if six-prong forms are used the extra pin could be used for the antenna connection of a separate coupling coil, the other end of the coil being returned to the

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The Amateur Regulations of the World: 1936

IT IS the privilege of this column to record each year the progress made by the various amateur radio societies throughout the world in obtaining satisfactory amateur radio legislation in their respective countries. The August, 1934, and the October, 1935, issues of QST carried previous stories; it is interesting to observe the advances that have been made. In general, except for power restrictions (which apparently do not prove a serious handicap) and the refusal to permit the handling of third party message traffic, the outlook is quite good.

Austria refuses the use of the 160-meter band, and use of 3500-3600 kc. is only by special permission. License fees are \$10 for a 10-watt power input limit license, \$20 for a 50-watt limit. Type A2 transmission may be used if special permission is obtained. The O.V.S.V. has 167 members; there are 37 licensed amateurs. (In this report, as well as those that follow, figures are as of the reporting date, early 1936.)

At the moment of writing, we have on hand unconfirmed rumors that conditions in Colombia are improving rapidly. Amateur radio as we how it is still not permitted, but through the persistent efforts of the L.C.R.A. and their secreary, Italo Amore, favorable recognition by the Ministry of War and the Ministry of Education has been obtained for the amateur. However, the Ministry of Correos y Telegrafos is not yet avorably inclined towards the granting of amateur privileges (official licensing), but there is every indication that the situation will be cleared up shortly.

In Denmark, spot frequencies of 1730, 1830, and 1970 kc. are allowed in the 160-meter band, 3500-3600 kc. in the 80-meter band, and all of the 7-, 14-, 28-, and 56-mc. bands except for buffer bands on each end of 10, 20, 30, and 100 kc. respectively. 3550-3600 kc. is set aside for beginners (8 w.p.m.), whereas the other bands are available to all regular amateurs (12 w.p.m.). A power limit of 100 watts is in force; third party traffic is not permitted. The E.D.R. has increased its membership to 350; the licensed amateurs number 220.

In Finland the 160-meter band is denied, but all other bands are open, with 'phone assignments in the 3.5-, 14-, and 28-mc. bands. Stations are shut down for six months if off-frequency operation results in interference with a commercial station. Third-party traffic is permitted. Power input is limited to 200 watts. The S.R.A.L. has 232 members; there are 180 licensed amateurs in the country.

In France all of the Madrid bands are available, for both 'phone and c.w., the only restriction being that type A2 transmission is not allowed. Power limits are determined by the license feeup to 50 watts the fee is \$11, for 100 watts it is \$16.50. The R.E.F. has 1268 members; there are 834 licensed amateurs.

Radiotelephony is not open to the amateurs of Germany. They cannot use the 160- or 5-meter bands, and their 80-meter operation is confined to 3500-3600 kc. Power is limited to 50 watts, although upon request 100 watts may be used. Third-party traffic is prohibited. The D.A.S.D. has 4200 members; the licensed amateurs number 600.

In Great Britain the c.w. and telephony bands

are: 1720-1995, 3505-3730, 7005-7295, 14,005-14,395, 28,005-29,995 (television 30-32 mc.), and 56,005-59,995 kc. Stations are originally licensed for 10 watts; after a year the R.S.G.B. may recommend for them an increased privilege of 50 watts. The R.S.G.B. totals over 2600 membersamateurs with full licenses total 1612, with artificial antenna licenses 967.

In Italy amateur radio is not tolerated, and even the distribution of QSL cards is officially forbidden. The A.R.I. has 121 members.

In the Netherlands the N.V.I.R. has 513 members; the number of licensed amateurs is 310.

New Zealand allows the amateurs there all of the Madrid bands, as well as a special 100 to 105meter band for the Radio Emergency Corps, an N.Z.A.R.T. activity. Amateurs have increased to a total of 939, members of the N.Z.A.R.T. to 663. Power has been reduced to a 100-watt input limit from the previous 100-watt output limit. The government looks with favor upon amateur radio, especially the development of telegraphy.

The amateurs of Norway are not allowed the use of the 160-meter band except by special permission; their assignments are 3540-3960, 7050-7250, 14,060-14,340, 28,100-29,900, 56,150-59,-850 kc., with all bands open to both 'phone and c.w. Type A2 transmission is prohibited, and the antenna power must not exceed 20 watts. Thirdparty traffic is prohibited. The N.R.R.L. now has 400 members; the number of licensed amateurs is

In Sweden all of the Madrid bands are allowed and there is no power limit. The license fee is \$10. Third-party traffic is prohibited. The S.S.A. has 230 members, the licensed amateurs total 155.

Regulations in Switzerland remain unchanged; no 160-meter operation is permitted and the 80meter band is restricted to 3500-3700 kc. with 3700-3800 kc. available for club stations and 60-400 open for experimental work. Power is limited to 50 watts.

In general, amateur radio is looked upon with favor by most governments, and although many of the other countries do not accord their amateurs all of the privileges enjoyed in the United States, the official recognition demonstrates the value of the work done by the respective amateur radio societies.

Short Wave Broadcast Station:

Operators in the 7-mc. band will be pleased to hear that the British Guiana broadcast station, VP3MR, has been moved out of the amateur band into the 6-mc. band, through the efforts of the R.S.G.B. Complaints of other British Empire stations operating as broadcast stations in the amateur bands will be handled in a similar manner as soon as reported.

General:

We hope you have not been waiting hopefully for a card from ZD2A, ZD5A, ZB7AC, or whatever call he was using when you worked him, because the odds are that you won't get it, along with the new country you hoped it would be Apparently some W amateur, with a very poor sense of humor, has been giving the local lade the run-around by signing these enticing calls. But he wasn't very clever; often he would sign "de W . . " break, get a little flustered, and then sign one of those juicy calls. If we have him figured correctly, we don't think he's much of an amateur; if he is authentic, we apologize sincerely J. Bond, HJ3AJH of 28-mc. fame, now signs HK3JB Here's news for the tired DX man: Mr. A. Bles will be on shortly signing PK6DX in Dutch New Guinea, a country heretofore devoid of amateur stations. QSL care N.N.G.P.M., Babo The cards for VP7AA have been returned to A.R.R.L., along with a note to the effect that 7AA is not licensed. But he was operating from the Bahamas, so it counts Incidentally, licenses are obtained in the Bahamas by applying to the Superintendent of Telegraphs, Nassau N.P., Bahamas . W7AYO reports CR9AB, Macao, coming through around 7150 kc. The first WAC in the VK6 district was awarded to Mr. S. C. Austin, VK6SA. All continents but South America had been worked many times on 7 and 14 mc., but it took the 28-mc. contact with HJ3AJH to give him his WAC and the first VK6-South America contact on any band. His contact with ZS1H was the first Africa-VK on ten Cards for VQ3FAR should be sent to: J. A. Farrer, Tanganyika Central Gold Mines, Ltd., & kenke via Kinyangira, Tanganyika. Many of his cards have gone astray by being addressed to VQ3BAL, who is QRT and now at Mdeya. Thank United States amateum you, W1DLD ... have no monopoly on emergency work-a note from ZS5AB encloses a clipping of an account of splendid work done by Durban amateurs ZU5P and ZT5J when their city was cut off by a storn damaging telephone lines .. If you haven't received some of those DX cards you are waiting for, don't overlook the possibility that they are waiting for you at the office of your District QSI Manager (listed each month in QST). CPIAA ZEIJN, and ZEIJS write to say that they QSL every W contact, but only via the QSL Bureau W2BSR adds some more on last month's tongue-twister: Baumanabad is the name of the town, "bad" being a suffix meaning "city" in the Tajik language. Sovhoz means "State Farm" VU7FY and K48A claim that their 'phone WAC's, made last Sep tember, were the first to be made exclusively of two-way 'phone, without first raising the station on c.w. Any dissension? Has anyone

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Conducted by the Communications Department

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THE F.C.C. states that in the twelve months March 1935 to February 1936 it handled 2842 complaints of BCL's about amateur interference. While only about a quarter of all amateur operation is radiotelephone operation according to frequency registration statistics, 62% of the complaints were traceable to amateur 'phone work, while telegraphy accounted for 38%.

The Commission has not stated how the c.w. telegraph BCL-QRM divides by bands, but the following are the data * on the 62% traceable to

ndiotelephone work:

1800-2000 kca	69.59%
3900-4000 kcs	
14,150-14,250 kcs	5.84%
28-29 me	
56-60 me	

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Nearly 2000 of the complaints, then, were taced to 160-meter radiotelephone operators, more cases of this type existing than brought against amateur telegraph operators in all bands put together. The complaints are numerous and redierous. The F.C.C. people regard the situation as serious and requiring action, and also state their opinion that the type of amateur work that often goes forward leading to complaints against telephone operators is not any credit to amateur operators or amateur radio in many cases. If amateurs responsible do not speedily correct this situation, it is pretty certain that drastic steps will be taken by the F.C.C.

In the situation cited, 160-meter and 75-meter phone interference are greatest in volume. We know of cases in which at least three individual mateurs had little regard for their responsibilities in meeting the public in a friendly and genuisely helpful manner when interference was discovered. If such cases known to us are typical examples, it is little wonder that the Commission feels obliged to take the matter under study. Should anything untoward happen, 'phone men generally will have only the individual "don't care" attitude that some of the fraternity who have been in trouble have developed to thank. It is unfortunate that Official 'Phone Stations and others who have adopted OPS standards and

ethics must suffer the same stigma that some blasé, self-assured individuals bring on the whole brotherhood. However, if all amateurs are tolerant of abuses that exist in their midst and do not develop a general amateur pride or condemnatory attitude sufficiently effective in controlling those cases, then it must be expected that regulatory measures will be taken that will stop the interference and the complaints.

We suggest that all ham 'phone station operators get busy and check locally to see that no interference is occurring. If it is, then handle it so as to get the full good will of the public and cut off complaints to the F.C.C. Get your club vigilance committees functioning to collect and handle local complaints through the local press so the F.C.C. will not be needed. Naturally, if we disregard the experience and consideration for others that has proved good policy through the years we will suffer. The public's investment will always

be protected by the Commission if a general situation is allowed to develop that proves special

action in the public interest necessary. When a test does show interference a ham should make friends with the complainant, write A.R.R.L. for its prepared interference circular, ask us for the long circular giving "reasons why" and the short one suitable for your BCL neighbor. We amateurs must do our own local trouble shooting and complaint soliciting . . . which prevents complaints by seeing that the source of complaint is removed or non-existent, and heads off incipient complaints so they never reach the F.C.C. Tell your ham friends to avoid any attitude of standing pat on rights (which often reacts to hurt the whole ham fraternity). The correct measures to retain the respect of the public go deeper than that. The recent public hearings of F.C.C. emphasize the point that every radio service, and every branch of every service must continuously justify the performance and uses made of radio.

A.R.R.L.'s Board requested F.C.C. to increase the code speed in operator license exams to 12½ w.p.m. The Federal Communications Commission actually raised it to 13 w.p.m., effective at once. Directors discussing the idea with ham groups before the Board meeting found many who wanted 15 w.p.m. There has been agitation a long

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time for some such restriction and this was a modest step in that direction. Amateurs have felt that "lid QRM" was just too much to stand in our valued frequency bands. Constructive consistent work in training for emergency-work justification of amateur radio must not be handicapped. A.A.R.S. and N.C.R. operations in ham bands constitute one other strong reason why we get the backing of these services in holding our frequencies—and the newcomer who has no interest in organized amateur radio must at least be a real amateur who knows his code. The ham body as a whole is relieved and pleased to know the F.C.C. acted so promptly and effectively to "make better hams" of those joining the fraternity.

Both code speed and technical requirements have been raised before, as amateur radio has grown in public appeal so that hams have found their valuable frequencies cluttered up by those who have found ways to get in with no true qualification or operating technique. As emphasized in a contribution by Mr. Allen last month, not all individuals have "what it takes" to become real hams. Until they have proved themselves by exercising a little patience and persistent practice in "learning by listening" (or otherwise, since the beginner today is surrounded by reams of literature and a myriad of helps not available to old timers) the Commission does not intend to class

them with "the qualified." W11NF, station of A.R.R.L. Headquarters Operators Club, is raising the speed of its tape transmissions (from 13.2 and 22.5 w.p.m.) to alternate between 15 and 24 w.p.m. (for the mature ham who knows his stuff). The 15 words per minute speed is calculated, like the old 13.2 w.p.m. speed, to give maximum help to beginners in "learning by listening." Such a speed as 15 w.p.m. is chosen based on the idea of making a two words per minute allowance for the possible nervousness of the candidate when he takes Uncle Sam's test. In addition to the transmissions on 3825 and 3575 kes. (8.30 and 10.30 p.m. EDST except Wed. and Sat.) W1INF expects to start simultaneous transmissions on the 7-mc. band on all these messages "to all radio amateurs" starting sometime in October.

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O.B.S.

The following is a supplement to the list of A.R.R.L. Official Broadcasting Stations in November QST (page 60): WIBVR, WIGAE, W6LFZ, W8MFV.

Briefs

W3BXJ is located in the same city as W3XBJ, the Harrisburg, Pa., Police Radio.

The American Legion, Department of Ohio, is taking steps to organize an amateur radio network throughout Ohio

for the purpose of establishing a communications system which will be available to the Major Disaster Units of the Legion in Ohio when they function in time of emergency. Ohio amateurs interested in cooperating should communicate with Gerald G. Gifford, 58 S. Huron Ave., Columbus.

What is believed to be the first Hawaii-United States chess tournament by amateur radio in which there were more than two players involved was played July 19th be tween the Hollywood Chess Club and the Hawaiian Army Chess Club. Each club won one game. 7 mc. was used for the radio connections, K6EWQ (Johnny O'Conner and 8g. Bunn Mills operating) on the Hawaiian end and W6GXM (W6CH and W6GXM operating) on the Hollywood end. A total of 134 messages were handled by each station. The games lasted six hours starting at 7:30 p.m. PST.

The Olympic trials for amateur oarsmen were held on the course of the Canadian Henley Association at St. Catherine's, Ontario, on June 17th. The progress of the races was transmitted on 56 mc. from a boat following the oarsmen to the grandstand, where the signals were transferred to a P.A. system. The races were greatly enlivened by this arrangement, since but a small part of the course is visible to spectators. VE3TW's equipment was used in this work.

56-mc. Net

The Interstate 56-me. Net, organized by W2HUT, is reported to have a membership of sixty amateurs in three states. Most activity is in the New York City area. Control stations in the net are located about ten miles apart. Accurately timed schedules are maintained, messages handled, DX reports relayed in from other groups issued, DX tests arranged and good operating procedure encouraged. A relay chain is being formed from Connecticut to Pennsylvania. Any amateur interested in further details on the Interstate Net should communicate with Felix Nerod, W2HUT, 478 Dean St., Brooklyn, N. Y. Membership is free, the only essential being active coöperation.

Several trips on the briny deep as "Sparks"; a trip to Hollywood, where he played a part in "The King Steps Out," starring Miss Grace Moore; a month or so spent on the desert prospecting for gold; and now, the part of a Southernsheriff in a Broadway show—such is the record of Victor Killian, W2GPP, of Scotch Plains, N. J., for the past two years. Any ham want to challenge him as "Odd Job Champion"?—W2GYY, P.A.M., N.N.J.

The Indianapolis (Ind.) Radio Club will sponsor an emergency transmitter and receiver contest at Brown County State Park, August 30th; prizes will be awarded the winners.

On June 10th at 11:00 p.m., W9VTP worked VE4ABI, Moose Jaw, Sask. Immediately afterwards he worked VE4ABH, Edmonton, Alberts. Making this a greater coincidence is the fact that VE4ABI's first QSO was with VE4ABH, and their rigs are identical, P.P. '45's!

Free classes in radio theory (both telegraphy and telephony) and code practice are held in Cleveland, Ohio, at the East 131st Branch Library, 3330 E. 131st St., Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m., and at N.C.S., 359 E 143rd St., Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. These classes are open to everyone interested.

Speaking of low-power DX, when the S.S. Senator sak off Port Townsend, Wash., her SOS sent on a 16-volt spark coil was heard by NPL at San Diego, Calif.!—W6HG.

Leland Ford, N6GXN, 3959 Marathon St., Los Angeles. Calif., would like to see a network similar to the Army Ameteur Radio System organised among members of the Navil Communication Reserve to enable Reservists to keep their traffic in NCR channels. Members of the NCR really interested in forming such an organisation, exchange views with N6GXN.

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MEMBERSHIP in the A.R.R.L. Emergency Corps now totals 297. The A.E.C. is divided into two groups: (1) Emergency Powered Stations, (2) the Supporting Division. For membership in the first group it is necessary to possess equipment suitable for operation in an emergency when regular power and communication facilities are disrupted. Auxiliary power must be on hand or must be obtainable from a reliable source upon a few minutes' notice. Membership in the Supporting Division is open to all amateurs who will pledge themselves to assist in the event of failure of regular communication facilities as long as normal power is available; these members do not have to possess axuiliary power, although all members are urged to join the Emergency Powered group at the earliest opportunity.

To join the A.E.C. simply send a postal to the Communications Department, A.R.R.L. (or write for application blank), listing what equipment you have. Applicants for Emergency Powered membership should list carefully all emergency apparatus, especially the auxiliary power

facilities. Members of both groups are expected to make known their availability for emergency communication to local Red Cross officials, railroads, military units, police depart-ments, representatives of press associations and the like. A membership card is furnished all members; this provides a convenient introduction to the various officials when making known your availability. An Emergency Manual to be prepared later this season will contain definite suggestions and rules relative to emergency work; this will be furnished free to all A.E.C. members.

The goal of the A.R.R.L. Emergency Corps is "An amateur radio Emergency Station in every community." Every red-blooded ham should want to do his part! Send your application TO-DAY!!

Members, A.E.C.

EMERGENCY POWERED

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Worth (Fla.) Radio Club, W4AWO; Winston-Salem (N. C.)
Amateur Radio Club, W4NC; Manteea (Calif.) Radio
Club; Stanford University Radio Club (Calif.), W6YX;
Missoula (Mont.) Radio Operators Club; Marietta (Obio)
Amateur Radio Society, W8KYC; Boys Club of St. Marys
(Pa.), W8INE; Carnegie Tech Amateur Transmitters
Club, W8NKI; Pennsylvania State College, W8YA; Ira
Lou Spring Post, No. 149 (American Legion), Emergency
Unit, W8GPS (Jangestown, N. Y.): Pike'a Peak Amateur Unit, WSGPS (Jamestown, N. Y.); Pike's Peak Amateur Radio Association (Colorado Springs, Colo.), W9OKY; D.T.R.I. Radio Club, W9SAL.

SUPPORTING DIVISION

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WSHD WSITS WSJM WSOIG W9EQX W9GFS/JXB W9HAX W9LG VE1EX.



KMUP RADIO SHACK

Schooner Wander Bird (see page 48, Aug. QST) is contacting amateurs while on a 20,000-mile cruise.

OBSERVERS' HONOR ROLL

Cairo Commercial Occupancy Survey For July 1936

6000-8000 kcs.

W9TAY W3BGD W4ACC ON4JB W. R. Faries ON4HM W3FCQ W9DQD W9CHH W8APQ ON4SS W9SJK WSNQ W2CSH W9NGG P. R. Randolph W2HAY

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September, 1936

Correct Speaking

By Wilfred A. Thompson,* W3AQV

The article by Mr. Wilfred A. Thompson, W3AQV, wins C.D. article contest prise this month. Each month we print the most interesting and valuable article received marked "for the C.D. contest." Contributions may be on any phase of amateur operating or communication activity (DX. "phone, traffic, rag-chewing, clubs, fraternalism, etc.) which adds constructively to amateur organization work, Prize winners may select a 1936 Handbook, six logs, six message files, six pads blanks, or equivalent credit toward other A.R.R.L. supplies. Send your contribution today!

—F. E. H.

THERE is a very important phase or puone operational large percentage of our operators on the radiophone fre-HERE is a very important phase of 'phone operation a quencies neglect-that of speaking correctly and proper be-

havior in operating.

With thousands of BCL's using all-wave receivers and listening to our amateur 'phone conversations, we amateurs may thoughtlessly, by constant use of slang and silly chatter get labelled by these listeners as a very ignorant bunch of fellows. And for all we know, if some of the perfectly senseless and idiotic conversations on our 'phone bands today are not curtailed, the F.C.C. may take the matter into consideration and do something about it.

On the other hand, if every 'phone operator would practice carefully correct speaking with each QSO it would not only clear up the situation but the value to the operators outside their 'phone contacts would be inestimable. Correct speaking to the 'phone man is of the same value as a good

fist to the c.w. operator.

The 'phone bands could be made into a veritable school of good speech. With a little care and patience the 'phone operators can accomplish wonders along this line. After you answer a CO and contact is established with another 'phone and he is one of those fellows who gives no thought to the construction of his sentences, uses slang and mispronounce half his words, what will he think when you go back to him, speaking correctly with well enunciated words and with the absolute absence of silly slang? He will, to be sure, take notice of that transmission of yours and when he again comes back to you his conversation will be quite improved. Try it

Besides using good English, certain meaningless phrase and needless abbreviations should be stopped. The use of telegraph operating procedure such as saying "K" at the end of a transmission is poor taste for a 'phone man. Ahead" is much better.

I think it quite advisable and proper to disregard some (not all, however) of the "Q" signals in 'phone operation, giving in their stead the exact meaning in words in a simple and concise form. For example, say, "My address," for "My QRA"; "change frequency" for "QSY"; and instead of saying, "QRX a minute, OM," say, "Stand by." There are a few more of these signals which only have their usefulness in telegraph work.

"hi diddle de dit" silliness, heard so much on all That bands, has no place whatever in amateur 'phone. If you say something which may be of a humorous nature, let the fellow you are talking to do the laughing. As mentioned above, "Go Ahead" is proper when standing by—never those inane and out moded phrases, "doe de doe" and "diddle de bump de bump.'

In giving a fellow his signal report it would be much better, and just as easy, to say something like thisreadability is four. Your signal strength is seven, "instead of the old worn-out "QSA" and "R" reports. By being constantly alert, old habits of speech, now con-

sidered detrimental to radiophone operation, may be corrected and new methods used in their place. All that is neces sary to clean up these bad practices is for a few to start speaking correctly, and the others will follow.

Now a word or two about those drinking parties we often

all than to be labelled a group of silly and unmannerly fellows! Think it over! Let us use correct speech always over the microphone and confine drunken brawls to the barrooms and nightclubs, thereby keeping our hobby on the high intellectual level to which it belongs.

DX Notes

hear coming from a ham station. They are pretty disgusting

to say the least, even to the fellow who likes to break loos on a "tear" himself, occasionally. And I have heard some of the boys say this sort of thing should be as much a violation

as off-frequency operation. I am inclined to believe just that. Think what the thousands of SWL's, themselves not

used to such things, would say of amateur radio after listening to one of those practically nightly affairs.

Surely our hobby of amateur radio with all it has stood for and accomplished the past few years is worth more to us

SM7UC advises via W1IEK that he is working towards W.A.S. He has so far worked 32 states, lacking only w.A.S. He has so far worked 32 states, lacking only
Rhode Island in eastern U.S.A. Watch for him after 2200 GT
on about 14,338 kc. . . . G2WQ is also plugging for W.A.S.
and has worked 39 states. He is looking particularly for
Nevada, Arisona, Kansas, Wyoming and New Mexico, and
sends word via W9TSV for the gang to look for him on . W9TSV reports a new one heardabout 14,100 kc. . . HZ2A on about 14,300 kc., r.a.c. . . . W2DTB Worked All Continents in one hour and fourteen minutes on June 30th
—OA4J, VK3JK, ZL4AO, FB8AB, G2XD, W2CVJ, J2J,
OA4J was raised at 1200 GT, and by 1250 all had been
worked but Asia, which came through a bit later. . . . A freak condition was encountered by W3AYS recently when he heard PK6AK, S5, T9X, on 14 mc., at 12:00 noon, also K6BUX heard at about the same time. . . . ZP2AC, Paraguay, is heard by W3AYS on about 14,340 kc., T9. . . J's are coming through on 14 mc. between about 7:00 and 9:00 a.m. CST. . . W80QV, Shaker Hgts, Ohio, reports ZS1AL worked, about 14,100 kc. . .

Louis P. Urban of Dayton, Ohio, sends some information on amateur activities in Lithuania: "The Ministry of Posts on amateur activities in Lithuania: "The Ministry of Poist has issued licenses to 13 hans. Of this number only 9 are active: LY1X, 1J, 1AC, 1AG, 1S, 1MB, 1AF, 1AD, 1AA. The oldest ham is LY1X, who began operating in 1922. The most powerful transmitter is used by LY1J, having an output of 90-100 watts on c.w. Each transmitter is crystalcontrol. All transmitting gear is purchased either in Germany or the U.S. An RK-28, for example, costs \$30 (American).

W6CUH sends the following news under date of July 26th: "Conditions have been excellent all month and ran exactly according to the DX cycle. The diamonds at the new QTH are proving remarkable; worked Europe 175 times during the month, reports averaging S7 1/2. Dozens of new European stations are coming through. New ones (rarer) worked are YU7AU TS 14400, I1TKM T9 14375, SP1JB T6 14320, SP1FP TS 14440, HAF7H T9 14360, YM4AA T7 14430. J9CA (Formosa) T7 14300 about 1430 GT, and heard were HS1PJ T9 14200 at 1500 GT, ZB1H T9 14370. Had 50th QSO with G2PL. The other night we tried a QRP test; 2PL was S5 at 11/2 watts input; he then got a worn battery and was S3 with 22½ volts at 10 ma. Worked FA8BG for 114th country and LA3H for 115th. DX in the mornings is good but thin. The J's are on with J8CF a new one in Korea. VS1AJ is S9 and has P.P. RK-20's, so should get over to the East Coast still better. VS2AG is also on with a powerful signal, 14290, T9. PK6AJ is r.a.c. near 14400 around 1500 GT."

Briefs

W8BQ writes, "Pse announce in QST that I will be more than pleased to supply flatirons for the keys of these bug artists, who insist upon aping Army and CCC ops with 90 w.p.m. dots on 20 w.p.m. xmissions."

W6JYA, Reno, Nev., is on 7200 and 7085 kcs. looking for W.A.S. contacts every night from 9:00 to 11:00 PST and Saturdays and Sundays until 2:00 or 3:00 a.m. PST.

^{* 810} Maplewood Lane, Cumberland, Md.

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There are now 161 members in the Worked All States Club. The following new members have qualified for the certificate award: F. M. Whitaker, W4OC; J. Wesley Davis, W4DS; Wilbur E. Gustafson, W5DBR; Harvey O. Platt, W6DWV; W. Lee Williams, Jr., W8PAJ; Bernard F. Piper. W9CRM; Herbert S. Brier, W9EGQ; Homer Biedebach, W6GFE; W. A. Kelso, VELAE; D. Reginald Tibbetts, W6ITH; Lewis H. Cook, W9FWW; H. L. Caveness, W4DW; Richard E. Becker, W5FBQ; A. C. B. Havens, W8ISK; F. E. Pratt, W7DXZ; Wm. W. Brantley, W3EZN; L. M. Sparks, W4DRE; Clayton L. Wise, W8IOH; Robert S. Grant, W8LDA; Evelyn S. Sanford, W4DAI; Stanley Comach, V2EEE; A. C. Krones, W9UIT; Clyde D. Larimore, W9BBS; Wm. G. Wilson, OA4J; W. A. Morain, WIFUY; Carl W. Luhn, W8BTI; Bruce Lathrop, W6ABB; Katashi Nee, K6GCK; Charles W. Nicholson, W1BAU; Reno W. Goetsch, W9RQM; Ray N. Flood, W1FPS; C. M. Goo On, W3EVT; Michael A. Bakos, W8LY (8AKO); F. Norman Davis, W1GKJ; Lorents Arnold Morrow, W9VKF; Theodore Parker, W5FNX.

OA4J is the first amateur outside the United States and Canada to qualify for W.A.S. K6CGK is the second. Forty-eight cards or other confirmations submitted to the

Forty-eight cards or other confirmations submitted to the A.R.R. L. Communications Dept. as proof of contacts with the forty-eight United States will make you eligible for the W.A.S. certificate. Sufficient postage must be sent with the confirmations to finance their return. Contacts may be made on any of the amateur bands and at any number of different addresses, provided no two addresses are more than twenty-five miles apart. A special rule permits either a confirmation from the District of Columbia or one from Maryland itself to count for the state of Maryland. Send your confirmations as soon as you can qualify!

Briefs

One of the first messages of congratulations to the Republican presidential nominee, Governor Landon of Kansas, was an amateur radiogram sent by W8KRS, Pontiac, Mich. W8KRS sent the message to W9MUY, Topeka, Kans., who made delivery by telephone; this was about five minutes after the BCL chains had concluded the nomination broadcast.

Celebrating the annual visit of Bill Nightingale, G5NI, to the United States, members of the Garden City (L. I.) Radio Club dined the well-known British amateur and his traveling companion, Ernest H. Derricott, on June 9th at the Roosevelt Field Hotel, Mineola, L. I. Following dinner, W2TT demonstrated a new aircraft transmitter and receiver. Later, the group went to the shack of W2CLA. Those who attended the dinner included G5NI, W2CLA, W2SB, W2GP, W2PF, W2BRI, W2DKJ, W2CKJ, W2IER, W2IFV, W2TT, W2GG, W2FPB, W2WD, W2GDU, A. F. Williams, ex-W2CVC, E. H. Derricott and R. A. Piel.

College Net

WIGTW/GTX and W3GFM are interested in forming a network of college amateur radio stations. They would like to get one active station from each college and university in the northeast, and perhaps arrange for spot frequency operation. WIGTW is a student at Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn., W3GFM attends the University of Virginia. College station operators interested in the organization of such a network should communicate with WIGTW, Everett B. Gladding, Box 77, Wesleyan Station, Middletown, Conn.

Murray Miller, secretary of the Stuyvesant High School Radio Club, believes his to be one of the oldest clubs in the country. The "Stuyvesant Radio Club" was founded in the school (Brooklyn, N. Y.) in 1910 by Mr. Raymond B. Brownlee, author of the "First Principles of Physics" series. Passing through all the stages of radio, the club today has a

BRASS POUNDERS' LEAGUE

Call	Ortg.	Del.	Rel.	Total
W6KFC	17	19	793	829
W2BCX*	8	15	698	721
W9AZR	64	108	412	584
W6MFX	150	15	350	515
W6ZZC-BDI	495	9	9	513
K6FKB	310	173	19	502
MORE-TH	AN-ONE-OR	PERATO	R STATIC	BNC
Call	Orto.	Del.	Rel.	Total
W5OW	141	234	889	1264
KAIHR	480	259	182	921

or over. Many "rate" extra credit for one hundred or more deliveries. The following one-operator stations make the B.P.L. for delitering 100 or more messages; the number of deliveries is as follows: Deliveries count! VE5IC, 231 VE5OK, 174 W6IMI, 149 WIEOB, 13 W6LKE, 125

A.A.R.S. STATIONS

Call	Orla.	Del.	Rel.	Total
WLMI (W6GXM)	56	182	946	1180
WLJJ (W6HG)	5	6	907	914
WLNF (W2BCX)*	21	85	581	688
WLVH (W6BMC)	6	4	490	507

MORE-THAN-ONE-OPERATOR STATIONS

Call Orig. Del. Rel. Total

WLM (W3CXL) 76 76 1201 1353

A total of 500 or more, or just 100 or more delivertes
will put you in line for a place in the B.P.L.

* May-June.

100-watt crystal-controlled transmitter operating under the call W2CLE. How many clubs can top this Association's age?

Rag-chewers should be on the watch for WSNFO and W3ERD, who were in QSO for 3 1/2 hours steady on the night of April 7th.

W2IUQ and W2EQS/W3DPY urge more telegraphing amateurs to use the 1.75-mc. band. They point out that QRM is as rare on that band as it is plentiful on the higher frequency assignments. They also remind the gang that DX has been worked on "160 meters" with apparent ease during winter months. All W & VE districts are reported heard, and they feel sure 1.75 mc. holds big things in store, if C.W. men will but show more occupancy. "C'mup and see us on 160," say these chaps—and why not? With cooler weather in the offing and the let-up of static, "160" should prove plenty inviting. Give it a whir!

More than 3000 messages were handled for delegates attending the American Physical Educational Association Convention by members of the Greater St. Louis Amateur Radio Club from the hobby exhibit of the convention.

Phantom signals are rare in amateur radio, but W9SHP, W9KXD, W9KXE and Howard Singer thought they heard one at the shack of W9HQH. While listening in the broadcast band (in the process of lining up a receiver) they heard one of the most clean-cut CQ's ever keyed . . . and, believe it or not, it signed a call also. This went on for some time and was found to be over the whole band. Suddenly, however, the keying stopped and then started up again, going about 100 per like a tape transmitter. All this time W9HQH's transmitter filaments were turned on, but no more. It was finally decided to turn the filaments off while the search continued for the mystery signal, which was now sending words occasionally! Off went the transmitter and off went the phantom also. The transmitter on again, back came the signal. Close inspection disclosed a loose cathode connection in the 83 tube in the keying unit; replacement of this killed the ghost signal! It was just "one of those things" that make amateur radio interesting. Hi! W9HQH is now trying to reconstruct the "Frankenstein" to provide himself with a second operator.

A.R.R.L. Headquarters Operators

Hal Bubb, "Hal," Chief Opr. W11NF/W1MK

The following calls and personal sines belong to members of the A.R.R.L. Headquarters gang:

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The Amateur Radio Research Club of Seattle, Wash. was sponsor of a very successful picnic, radio treasure hunt and dance at Shady Beach, Lake Washington, on June 21st. Over 200 of the ham fraternity were present. Much good publicity was obtained for amateur radio; Wide World photographer took numerous pictures of the activities; KOL dramatized a ham radio skit over its "Seattle Streets" program: KOMO gave full mention in its news broadcast; broadcast chains gave several lines on a west coast hook-up Among the prominent amateurs present were W7BG BB TS EJD MB CR BRS EOP TD DYH DZ and LD. Six local concerns donated over \$100 worth of radio gear for prizes. 56-me, rigs were much in evidence and some fine experiments were conducted.

The hams of Calgary, Alberta, staged their Annual Ham-fest on July 4th and 5th. The 'fest opened on the morning of the Fourth with registration of the visitors at the York Hotel. Among those present were W7FL, W7CCR and W7ABT from Montana, and VE4EA, VE4HM and VE4BW from Edmonton, as well as others from the surrounding district. At an afternoon technical session Mr. Rhodes of the Alberta Technical Institute gave an illustrated lecture on the various causes of radio interference. In the evening a banquet was staged at the Renfrew Club; about one hundred were present. A surprise was sprung on the gathering when the chairman announced that since coming to Calgary W7FL had taken unto himself a bride. The bride was thereupon pre-sented with a bouquet of flowers by VE4SW and the bridegroom with a baby buggy by VE4HQ. Messrs. Frei and Gluesing of the General Electric House of Magic entertained with interesting demonstrations of what can be done with light and sound. On the morning of the 5th the hams were guests of the Alberta Government at the Automatic 'Phone Exchange where an explanation was iven of the working of the automatic telephone as well as he Government Radio Carrier System. The doors of radio station CFAC were also opened to the hamfesters. The afternoon was spent in visiting ham stations. The day ended with a Picnicswimbonfireweineroast, after which the expression of all was "The end of a perfect day.'

Amateurs Ready for Emergency

On July 27th an atmospheric disturbance was reported off the Louisiana coast and forecast to hit that coast that afternoon. About 2:30 p.m., when the wind had picked up to about 25 miles per hour, W5CQF and W5DAQ went on the air to stand by as there were rumors of death and injuries on Grand Island; this island was torn asunder about 1865 or 1870 and about 1000 lives lost. The Coast Guard sent two cutters to the scene and at 3:30 p.m. their reports were

picked up on 2700 kc. that all was OK and no damage or picked up to 2700 kt. that an as well as the wind never exceeded more than 38 m.p.h. The point is, however, that amateurs were ready and on the air had they been needed. Information was furnished to one man that his brother on Grand Island was safe. W5CQF, W5MH, W5LT and W5DAQ were on both 'phone and c.w. (3.5 mc.) and prepared had the storm developed into some-

In late July a hurricane hit east of Pensacola, Fla. Starting when the blow first came into the Gulf from the south coast of Florida, W5DAQ sent warnings on 7- and 3.5-mc, c.w. The Gulf Coast Storm Net, with W5BTK as control and W5DAQ. W5BUZ and W5BUK as members, passed along dope on the progress of the hurricane and stood by for any s which might come through.

W4DVL, a member of the A.E.C., was on the job at Tampa, Fla., giving out weather reports and advising people from Bow Grand up to Cedar Keys and Apalicola as to the course of the storm.

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Get-Togethers Held

Sixty-two amateurs registered at the Abilene (Texas) hamfest on April 25th-26th. Prizes were plentiful with nearly every visiting ham "taking home the bacon." A midnight lunch was served on the 25th as well as breakfast and a big dinner on the 26th. The West Texas Fair Assn. donated its Textile building for the hamfest; many of the lads brought cots and blankets along and got in a little "shut-eye" the boys, hamfest-fashion, stayed up all night. W58P had his FB portable rig along and worked 'phone on 1.75, 3.9 and 14 mes. Contacts were made in the 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th districts as well as in Canada.

The Sixth Annual Dinner of the Connecticut Brasspounders' Assn. was held at Stamford, Conn., on the evening of May 16th. Over two hundred hams and their ladies were in attendance. A very attractive 56-mc. station was the main attraction (until the turkey dinner appeared on the scene!). Fine contacts were made and portable/mobile hams were in constant touch with the station while en route to the rendezvous. Some air-minded chaps (Walter Rosenbush and Ralph Bray) contacted the hamfest en route from Bridgeport from a height of some 2000 feet. Among the guests of note were George W. Bailey, W1KH, newly elected A.R.R.L. vice-president; A. A. Hebert, W1ES, and F. E. Handy, W1BDI, from A.R.R.L. HQ's; Harold I. June and Captain Verleger of Byrd Expedition fame; and "Dr. Peterson from Norway, who later unmasked and revealed himself to be none other than Frank Hawks, W11JI, world-famous speed flyer. An accordionist and an expert baton swinger entertained during dinner. Don Meserve, W1FL, first president of C.B.A acting as toastmaster, introduced Dick Pickard of N.B.C., the main speaker of the evening. Mr. Pickard showed films of Dr. Stevens' first stratosphere flight and gave an interesting account of the events that took place, including the explosion of the bag. Some forty-odd door prizes were donated. The Connecticut Brasspounders' Assn. holds weekly meetings at its club house at Noroton Heights, Conn., where a 150-watt c.w. rig is in operation on 3.5 mc. A new rig is nearing completion for 14-, 7- and 3.5-mc. c.w. and 14-mc. 'phone. C.B.A. is fortunate in having the call WICBA.

The Merrimack Valley Amateur Radio Club held an outing on June 20th at the summer home of WIJDK at Wheeler Dam in North Salem, Mass. A fine program was arranged by the committee, consisting of WIJNU, WIIZE, WIIWR, WIBQR, WIILD, WIIQH and Carter Hart. The feature event was a horseshoe-pitching contest, won by WIJDK and Richard Paul. Other contests included treasure hunt, wire guessing, bean guessing, gurglers' contest and ragchewing. There was plenty to eat and prizes for the various events. A satisfied group of hams left for home—until the next time.

Station Activities

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The June 15th Hearings

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There was held before the entire Federal Communications Commission between June 15th and 26th one of the most important engineering hearings yet held before that administrative body. In short, the purpose was to obtain information concerning the problems involved in the allocation of frequencies to the various classes of services. mrticularly relative to the frequencies above 30 negacycles. It was my pleasure to be in attendince at the entire hearing.

Various services were asked by the Engineering Department of the Commission to present all the information they had acquired in their experiments. The various services were also requested to make certain recommendations as to the frequencies they would require for their work in the

The A.R.R.L. was asked to participate in this earing on behalf of the amateurs. Messrs. Warner, Handy and Hull, under the able supervision of the League's counsel, Mr. Segal, were esent and testified on our behalf.

Being rather well acquainted with the radio cture through my law practice before the Fedal Communications Commission, I believe that am fairly well qualified to judge the value of the various testimony given at the hearing. Of all the ervices that participated, without the slightest ubt the amateurs had the best prepared case, and the engineering information presented was the most comprehensive. Not only was there more it, but it showed the greatest amount of reearch and preparation, and it will prove, I wager, ithout question, to be valuable to the Commisson in its work.

I was indeed thrilled beyond words as I stened to the testimony of Warner, Handy and full as they pointed out what we had done and that paramount position in the radio sun we ams occupy and what our needs for additional quencies are. It made me exceedingly proud of le fact that I am an amateur. I think that we ould be proud, too, of the men who represented sat this hearing and presented our case. They id a most excellent job; no one could have done etter. I, for one, give them a most hearty vote of raise and thanks.

I wish that more of the hams could have heard It case presented. I was very pleased to hear, and I understand it to be true, that the amateur's case may be printed up in a book form for sale to the amateurs at a small cost. I have no idea when it will be out, but, having heard the case when it was presented, I am looking forward to the possibility of being able to secure it in permanent form.

Again I say, I am proud that I am a "Ham." Fred W. Albertson, W3FMC-ex-W8DOE

EDITOR'S NOTE.—The amateur presentation was made up into "books" illustrated with water-colored charts, and presented to members of the F.C.C. staff and representatives of government services. Copies have also been sent to the active affiliated clubs and the S.C.M.'s. A limited number of copies remain on hand and are available to members, as long as they last, at the nominal price of 50 cents (less than cost), on the basis of "first come first served."

Proposals

11846 Longview, Detroit, Mich.

Editor, QST:

Most of us have heard the story of "Acres of Diamonds" and such phrases as "Fields afar look greenest" which are meant to convey the truth that the advantages and wealth one has are seldom exploited to their fullest degree. And so it might be said of amateur radio. There is surely a restlessness among the fraternity because of the congestion and interference. We want more frequencies in which to expand. And a listen on the bands is quite a convincing argument that we need more frequencies. Unfortunately there are numerous other interests who also have the same idea. And still more unfortunately, there aren't enough frequencies to allot to all. .

Not the least of our difficulties is the problem of interference to broad ast receivers. It is probably generally agreed that most of this is caused by the amateurs who operate a 'phone on the 160-meter band. The 160-meter band has been a popular one, especially with the new ham. But, unfortunately, the new ham who sets up some apparatus is rarely equipped by training, knowledge or experience to put out a wholly proper signal-even though he has passed his examination and received his ticket. I have been through it myself

and know whereof I speak.

Amateur radio is a grand hobby—basically full of good fellowship, adventure, knowledge, and the capacity for progress in an art which is only just beginning. We need amateur radio-and so does the whole world for the actual good it does. As a device of mutual interest it holds an appeal for the extension of fellowship and good will among the people of the earth. Under proper control it should spread. And yet before it can do this it first must be strong and healthy in internal structure. There should be a minimum of strife and diversion of interests.

To my mind there are at present a few sore spots in ams teur radio, as it applies to us in the U.S. particularly, which should be looked into by Old Doctor Common Sense and sterilized with a siseable application of understanding.

Let me summarise the points I am driving at:

Congestion on the bands.

Interference between stations from signals too broad for optimum results.

Interference caused by close proximity of the most popular, unrestricted 'phone band to the broadcast band, Need for expansion of the present Class A 'phone bands.

The antagonism of the c.w. operators toward biting out more of their present assignments to benefit the 'phone operators and thus cause more congestion for the c.w.

These are probably not all the things which we could wish to have corrected, but it perhaps covers the most annoying problems. We have them here set up. Can we do anything about them? I think we can-and without much of a fuse Of course I should be an egotist and a fool to think that any proposal on a problem such as this could meet with universal approval. And so I shall accept any criticism and denunciation which may obtain—as part of my desire to help the ultimate progress and the general good of amateur radio.

I propose that all present frequency allocations for 'phone operation in the 160-meter band be restricted to Class A

privileged operators.

The present use of this band by inexperienced operators tends to mar the standing of amateur radio by the poor quality and overmodulated signals from too many stations, The close proximity of the 160-meter band to the broadcast and makes overmodulated signals easy to cause b.c.l. interference. The more experienced Class A operators probably can put out a proper signal by reason of their experience and knowledge. A 200-kilocycle addition wou'd be provided for 'phone operation for the operators who are so crowded together in the 75- and 20-meter bands at present. The 160meter band is a good one and suitable for local and DX operation up to 1000 miles and would be used by the Class A operator if he did not have to contend with the QRM from new operators

The 5- and 10-meter bands should be left unchanged and provide the field for new 'phone stations to operate in, and experiment, test, talk, ham and enjoy (with improving signals of course) as is now done on the 160-meter band. This will tend to more quickly develop the available frequencies in the ultra-high section of the spectrum. It will provide the room for expansion due to the increase in the number of Class A operators, by relinquishing the 160-meter 'phone

The 10-meter band has 1000 kilocycles for 'phone operation tion and another 1000 kilocycles for c.w. operation which should be used lest other interests think we don't want them and try to get these frequencies from us. The 5-meter band has been developed faster than the 10-meter band. think of the room on ten—the DX which many of the more pioneering amateurs have hung up should be a strong inentive for the faster development of the band. It only needs a greater number of men down there to work the band to be sure of more frequent contacts. The information and gear available for 10-meter operation is within reach of everybody-so let's get going.

-Robert C. Lydon, W8KSY

Antenna Couplers and Harmonics

In my opinion it would be worth while to use a small portion of the Correspondence section of QST to warn amateurs against the use of various impedance matching net-

works in the antenna system. From my own experience and what other hams say, these systems are very bad for har-monic radiation. This of course gets you in bad with the F.C.C., and first thing you know you receive a green ticket in the mail stating that you are radiating a strong or fairly strong harmonic at such and such a frequency, and maybe you will have to observe quiet hours as in my case. Never use anything but a good old pick-up coil.

-Everett M. Norman, W9VZL

Et Cetera

Lenoir City, Tenn.

Editor, QST.

I have not been in this game very long--that is, the ham part—but I've been splashing along on the theory of wire-less as a hobby for about eighteen "long" years, which shows I'm not such a young squirt after all. I've been reading QST and various and sundry magazines for so long my li-brary smells like a wireless institute, probably stronger than some of the mail order ones. I read what is in QST from lid to lid, even including the fine print in the ads, and what hams have to say in other mags as well, and striking a cross section on the "hull bunch" of us I'm inclined to believe we are a very good bunch of Democrats after all. We're not all alike; no, party "hominy" is bad, ideas are widely divergent in places, and we have our family fights just like the well-regulated ones do. But just let some outsider try to but in on one of our private scraps and see how soon he gets hat@! We'll all fly in and chew his ears in short order. . . . Are there too many of us? Positively no. The more numer

ous we are the faster we progress, while if we were only a few we would find it hard sledding. In increased numbers the simple become learned, the learned progress and become practical, and the practical lend a hand to society which in turn helps us all in a civilized world. Then why should we go about wailing against a wall about some trifle? Maybe some 'lid'' is taking quite a slice of the ether with an r.a.c. note or some high-powered mug is cluttering it all up. Sooner or later (most frequently sooner) he will get tired and quit or become rational, or else he will be like a soap box orator having nothing to say no one will listen to him, or else they

will send him to Congress.

This amateur game is large enough to have a lot of talk. With a station on about every ten cycles of available frequency space surely there is something for all of us. Let's set up a big howl for more frequency space and more bands (a cheer from the crowd lasting ten minutes). Let's all have xtal control (a big mixture of cheers and groans). Let's have no code test for five meters and below (more cheers from the guys who don't know code and the raspberries from the guys who do). Let's spot the high-powered stations and the lids. divide the sheep from the goats (more cheers and groans) And it all comes down to this, my fellow hams: Neither the A.R.R.L. nor the F.C.C. is going to ask a regulation or pass one that will answer every ham's Utopian dreams. The Lord knows they sure would like to but with our divergent ideas and special interests in amateur radio so mixed up, believe I think their efforts to suit us as a whole should be highly praised and that bouquets are in order as it is. But don't get me wrong-like the Supreme Court, they are not constructive criticism and, frankly, I believe the A.R.R.L. and the F.C.C. are wide open to valuable and constructive ideas and, further, will do what is necessary to meet the requirements of the majority. One more thingwhen we as hams begin to bellyache about our liberties and privileges, let's not forget that a good definition of "liberty" 'Your liberty ends where my nose begins,"and that in our case our nose reaches just about around the world. We must remember that the 'phone hams, the traffic hams, the oldtimers, the young squirts, and even us lids have a few rights, and the best we can do is to not overemphasize our own requirements and exclude the others. Let's take a quotation from a very old ham, Ben Franklin: "Unless we hang together we will surely hang separately."

This amateur organization needs every ham with his

shoulder to the wheel and if we do so we will be getting some (Continued on page 52)



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The Ten Meter Band seems to be a natural "jumping-off place." Maybe we have neglected the higher frequencies in our preoccupation with the active bands. More likely the difficulties are physical ones, but whatever the reason, the fact remains that ordinary receiving tubes begin to go haywire at higher frequencies, and conventional receiver circuits fail to give their accustomed results. Consequently, National Communication Receivers such as the HRO, cover down to, and through, the Ten Meter Band. And National Experimental Receivers, such as the "One-Ten," begin with the Ten Meter Band, and continue the march down the spectrum.

Apparently this frets some amateurs considerably. Some amateurs seem to think it is just plain cussedness that keeps us from making 5-Meter coils for the HRO. As a matter of fact, it is not cussedness, and it is not lack of experience, either.

We will give some of the reasons why. In the first place, a good deal of the blame can be placed on the receiving tubes commercially available. What happens in a vacuum tube at high frequencies is a pretty involved matter, and we are not going to attempt to explain it in detail here. For the present, it is sufficient to point out that vacuum tubes are not instantaneous in their action, and at high frequencies it takes a tube an appreciable part of a cycle to respond. This time lag is particularly objectionable in the grid circuit, where it shows up as a phase shift that is similar in its effect to a resistor shunted across the grid circuit. If this resistance is measured, it will be found to be of very high value at ordinary frequencies, as might be expected. As the frequency is raised the resistance will drop down gradually to values of a few thousand ohms. No amateur needs to be told what happens to the gain per stage at that point. This limiting frequency depends primarily on the size of the tube, since small tube dimensions mean that the electrons get where they are going in less time and hence have a smaller time lag. This is why acorn tubes will operate at higher frequencies than regular receiving tubes. The latter usually begin to misbehave at about tem meters, and are usually pretty bad at five meters.

The blame can not all be placed on the tubes, however. At high frequencies, losses in the circuit are unreasonably high unless the very best of insulation is used, and unless all parts are specially designed for this service. For this reason results may vary widely between different receivers, even though they use the same tubes. Thus in the HRO, where price considerations did not apply, it proved possible to maintain high performance well beyond 30 MC. In another set of good quality, where price was probably an important factor, level gain was achieved by switching in an entire extra RF stage, tube and all, on the range of highest frequency. And as an extreme case, in still another receiver the RF stages were completely disconnected on the high coil range, presumably because the signal was louder without them!

As we mentioned above, the HRO will give excellent performance at frequencies well above 30 MC, but coils to do this have never been placed on the market as they would be of no value to the amateur. Probably we could make a set of coils that would operate after a fashion even at 56 MC, but they certainly would not give the performance that HRO owners are looking for. For practical work at 56 MC, something more drastic than a new set of coils is needed, and the answer seems to be acorn tubes.

Obviously, acorn tubes could be used in place of the type 58 tubes now used in the HRO, but for a variety of reasons we do not wish to do this. For one thing the type 58 has higher mutual conductance than the 954, and it gives better performance than the latter at the frequencies on which the HRO is most often used. A better plan is to use acorn tubes only on the frequencies above 30 MC, and this can be accomplished by placing the acorn tubes inside the coil shields. No wiring changes are required in the receiver proper to do this, provided that a separate power supply cable is run to the "coil" to supply filament and screen voltages to the tubes. This scheme is quite feasible, and there is no good reason why an ambitious amateur should not attempt it. However, if you build such a unit, you will quickly discover that you have made virtually a complete Ultra High Frequency Receiver, not just a set of plug-in coils. And if you are going to build a complete receiver, you might just as well save yourself a lot of trouble and build it as a separate unit.

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—Dr. R. R. Campbell, W4DFR

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Editor, QST:

How many hams have crawled into their receivers, cranked up their crystal filters, jacked up their audio gain, strained their ears and wilted their collars to dig a feeble CQ out of the muck only to find it was a W8 instead of the XU they had hoped it was? Let's do away with this meaningless signal "CQ" and substitute some signal which has real meaning to the fellow hearing it.

A system which has evoked marked enthusiasm from all those to whom it has been mentioned is essentially this: A station desiring a contact would transmit his prefix followed by either "Q," "L," or "DX." For instance—if our W8 wanted to tune up his resonant filter or shoot the bull with the fellow across the river he would send "WL WL UL de W8—," or if he didn't much care who answered him he would send "WQ WQ WQ de W8—," and if he wanted to waste some power he would send "WDX WDX WDX W6 W8—An Australian would send "WDX WDX WDX, at Contact with the would send with the would send with the would send with the would with the would send with the would with would with the would with the would with would with

It seems to me that a suggestion of a somewhat similar though less elaborate nature died a few years ago at its inception; but by now hamdom should be sufficiently fed up with listening to locals CQ when they really want to listen to DX, and should be ready to appreciate some such change as this. How about some comments on this from around the country and from foreign points?

- John P. Kiesselbach, W9CPO

Silent Keps

It is with deep regret that we record the passing of these amateurs:

John R. Garinger, W8OQO, Mansfield, Ohio

Charles William Lewis, Jr., W9ANC, St. Louis, Mo.

Roger Nelson, W9GBW, Brainerd, Minn. Clyde L. Phillips, W5AJQ, McKinney, Texas

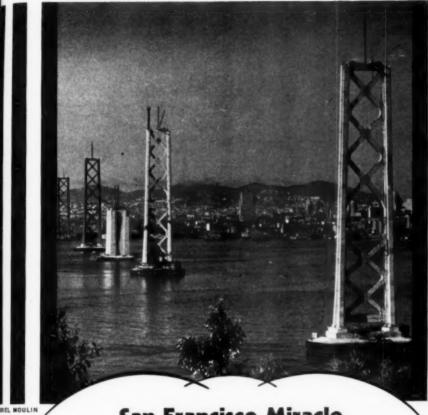
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The 6L6 As Amplifier and Doubler

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put was dependent to a great extent upon the value of the screen voltage. If the screen voltage was too low—around 225 volts or so—it was quite



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difficult to load the tube up to the point where the plate current was 90 ma. or more. As a result, the output was limited. On the other hand, if the screen voltage was made much greater than 300 volts, there was a tendency for the screen current to climb gradually, with the limit of the current depending on the length of time the amplifier was left running. Around 300 volts seems to be optimum, but it may vary with different setups. Probably the best method of adjusting the screen voltage is to use a milliammeter in the screen circuit, adjusting the tap on the voltage divider until the screen draws 6 or 8 ma. Allow the amplifier to run, loaded, for some time, and if there is any tendency for the screen current to climb. the screen voltage should be reduced until the screen current remains perfectly steady.

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The circuit was modified to eliminate the splitstator tuning condenser and neutralizing condenser, and a 14-mc. plate coil was substituted for the 7-mc. one. The neutralizing condenser was removed simply to avoid any regenerative effect which might give outputs greater than when the tube was working as a simple doubler. It was found that when doubling, slightly better efficiency was obtained by using a grid-leak resistor having a value of from 100,000 to 150,000 ohms. Somewhat greater excitation was required, the grid current running around 3 ma. With 375 volts on the plate, output as roughly measured by the lamp ran about 13 to 15 watts, with a plate current of 80 ma.

The oscillator plate circuit and doubler grid circuit were then tuned to 14 mc. and a 28-mc. coil placed in the plate circuit of the doubler. An output of 10 watts was obtained at optimum coupling, and the plate current was only 60 ma. indicating good efficiency. For the amateur with scanty financial resources, this combination looks like a good one; 3.5-mc. crystal, two 6L6 tubes, and 10 watts output on the ten-meter band, with only a 375- or 400-volt power supply.

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In review, the tube appears to be a good amplifier and doubler at plate voltages up to 400 volts or so, requiring but a small amount of driving power. The screen voltage must be adjusted with a fair amount of care if maximum output is to be

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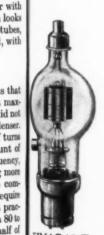
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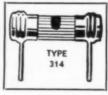
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From a reliable source it is learned that the 6L6 at maximum ratings does not have the wide margin of safety built in—and expected—in other tubes. The maximum plate voltage rating of 400 volts is just about as high as one should use and expect to get any sort of decent life out of the tube. However, this will probably only serve as a challenge to the average amateur!

A strictly personal remark. The tubes dissipate a considerable amount of heat. We may be an old fuss, but we still like to be able to see the color

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outside of W1APA worked HVHO, on the lowfrequency end of the 14-mc. band? Gil would like to find out where the station was located . W5EHX and W6MCQ have the proper spirit, we think. When J2JJ called "CQ OA" the other day, W6MCQ called him and gave him OA4AE's frequency. While J2JJ was busy calling OA4AE blind, W5EHX got busy and gave OA4AE the J's frequency, after which they clicked. J2JJ got his 60th country by the contact The first Great Britain-Siam contact was made the other day when G5RV worked HS1PJ. The Siamese station was on 14,210 kc. OA4J, Barranco, Peru, recently submitted his cards for a 28-mc. WAC The 'phone WAC business is picking up: latest additions to the preferred list include F. C. Clark, ZE1JS; D. Reginald Tibbetts, W6ITH; M. A. Lammers, PK1MX; and Dr. Frank E. Breene, W6FQY, whom you recall was the first to complete a 28mc. 'phone WAC WAC's go to Italy's IIKN and IIIT. But of course there is no amateur radio there! W2EGQ, operating at EA1BU, took second place and about fifteen dollars for placing second in the U.R.E. DX contest. Many W's were amazed at the excellent English of the Spanish station!

"Move Over"

(Continued from page 12)

ened, he sank into a chair and buried his head in his hands. In the hush of this fruitless meditation there came a soft, sweet voice as of a guardian angel. It came from nowhere, yet it was everywhere. It whispered two magic words, clear and distinct. They fell upon his ears like the gentle dew upon a rose petal—"remote control." They struck the forlorn and dejected one like a shock. A tingling surge permeated his numbed consciousness. For a moment he hesitated. His heart pounded. His face flushed. He stood erect and

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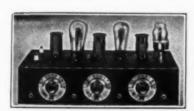
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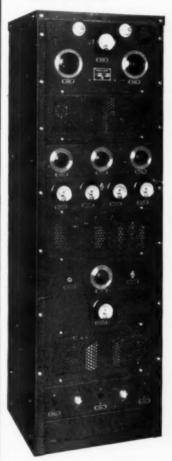
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For the convenience of readers interested in perusing further the matters discussed above, a bibliography of a few salient references is appended. Further references to publications appearing prior to 1930 will be found in a bibliography of a hundred references included in a paper by Kenrick and Pickard entitled, "Summary of Progress in the Study of Radio Wave Propagation Phenomena," Proc. I.R.E., April, 1930, pages 649-668.

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Oscillator-Mixer Design Considerations

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the subject, but a number of old truths can be rehashed with benefit. First of all is the subject of insulation. Good dielectric is of vital importance in all parts of the r.f. circuit. Isolantite or victron or an equivalent should be used at every point; even the best of the "low-loss bakelite" results in appreciable losses. In the case of the oscillator-mixer circuit under discussion, the use of bakelite insulation across the 28-mc. oscillator coil showed a direct relationship between mixer grid current and the length of the insulation path. More than a 10 per cent change in output was possible. Victron is now being used! In this connection, the forthcoming new metal tubes with isolantite gridcap and base insulators should prove a decided asset; one of Raytheon's 6A8's with ceramic top insulator alone is an advantage Band-switch and tuning condenser insulation, too, can be nothing less than a good ceramic or equivalent.

The material in the coil form also makes difference. With 150 volts supply to the 6F6, the output when a coil wound on a molded bakelite form was used was in one instance 4.8 volts. All other conditions remaining the same, replacement of this coil with another identical in all respects except that it was self-supporting in air raised the output to 6.9 volts-the difference between in effectual and reasonably good operation. The moral is self-evident; high-Q coils are desirable and high-Q coils cannot be made with a lot of poor dielectric in the fields or across the ends Although no such marked differences are noted with the use of coils of different worth in the r. tuned circuits proper, here, too, it is believed that coils of the highest efficiency compatible with design considerations should be used. It is been said that at least a 25 per cent increase in

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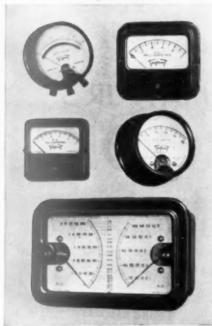
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THE 1936 Iowa State Convention of Legion 9 a.m. on May 15th at the American Legion HE 1936 Iowa State Convention opened at Building in Iowa City. Rag-chewing and inspection of manufacturers' exhibits took up the time until 1:15 p.m., when the convention was opened with a short address of welcome by Mr. C. A. Bowman, president of the Iowa City Chamber of Commerce. Then followed an interesting talk on the "Iowa State Police Radio System," E. F. Brown, W9DKC, supervisor. Mr. Carl Menzer, Director of WSUI, discussed "High Fidelity Disc Recording." A good many of the fellows heard themselves as others hear them for the first time. Mr. J. L. Potter, Communications Instructor at the University of Iowa, spoke on "Television Modulation Systems." In the evening, Director Norwine gave his report of the 1936 Board of Directors' Meeting, after which a mixer and general get-together wound up the first day of the convention.

The Saturday program opened at 10:00 a.m. with a recorded, illustrated talk on "Jim Lamb's Noise Silencer" by the staff of Radio Labortories. Mr. C. G. Miller of Weston gave an interesting review of "Interesting Features Found in Indicating Instruments," during which more than one ham learned that his meters were built with more precision than he had ever realized. The afternoon session was opened with a two-hour talk by Mr. H. F. Pitzer, RCA field engineer, on "X-raying the Amateur Transmitter with the Cathode-Ray Oscilloscope." Mr. L. M. Craft of Collins then spoke on "The L-Section

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Matching Network," and the program was concluded with a trip to the University of Iowa Electrical Engineering Department, where Dr. E. B. Kurtz, head of the department, gave a very interesting talk and demonstration on "The Principles of Television.'

Bert Puckett, W9DTB, of the WMT announcers' staff, did a fine job as toastmaster at the banquet held Saturday evening. Short talks by Mr. D. W. Crum, Secretary of the Iowa City Chamber of Commerce; Mr. E. F. Brown, W9DKC; Director Norwine, W9EFC; Mr. Miller; Chuck Morgan, W9ND, Naval Reserve representative; A. W. Kruse, W9LCX, A.A.R.S. representative; Frank Parsons, W9EMS, of Iowa Radio Corporation; Sam Poncher, of Newark Electric Co., and Rex Munger, W9LIP, preceded the prize drawing at which 95% of those in attendance were rewarded through the generous cooperation of the manufacturers and jobbers.

Bids for next year's convention were received by Director Norwine from Burlington and Newton, and it was voted to hold it at Newton.

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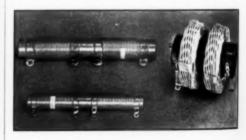
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THE "shadow" probably is responsible for the new gadgets shown in the accompanying photograph. When diathermy machines start pumping out not-so-good a.c. notes in parts of the spectrum belonging to communication services, evidently something needs to be done. Since a good deal of the radiation no doubt takes place when r.f. wanders into the power line in-



stead of the patient undergoing treatment, it is logical to use chokes to keep it where it belongs.

Two types of line chokes are illustrated. The double honeycomb affair is made by the J. W. Miller Co., Los Angeles, and is one of several models, single and double, designed to carry currents ranging from 2 to 30 amperes. The resistor-type chokes are a product of the Ohmite Manufacturing Co., Chicago. Three models are made, all having dual windings, with wire size ranging from No. 18 to No. 12.

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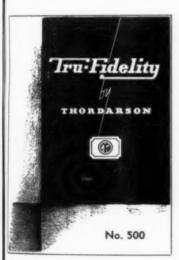
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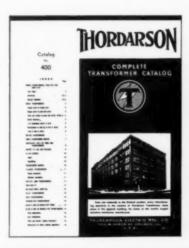
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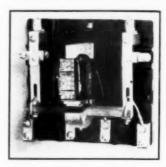
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AS MORE and more amateurs are turning to using the same antenna for both transmitting and receiving, the desirability and even necessity for a quick-change switch for shifting the feeders from transmitter to receiver becomes apparent. To meet this demand, the relay pictured herewith has been developed. It works directly from the 110-volt a.c. line, hence the coil can be

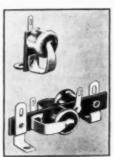


connected in parallel with the plate transformer primary so that application of power automatically connects the feeders to the transmitter and vice versa.

The silver contacts are capable of carrying fifteen amperes. Insulating supports for fixed contacts and moving arms are Mycalex. The new relay is a product of the Ward Leonard Electric Company, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.

Grid Bias Cells

ALTHOUGH midget grid-bias cells have been standard equipment in a number of broadcast receivers for over a year, it is only recently that they have been put into general distribution through retail radio outlets. The cell, which is about the shape and size of an acorn, is a potential device only and should not be used in circuits



where current is flowing. Each cell develops approximately one volt. The maximum current that it is safe for the cell to deliver is one microampere, hence cells should not be tested with a voltmeter.

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In receivers the cells find their chief use in biasing the triode or pentode section of tubes such as the 2A6 or 2B7 when used as audio am-

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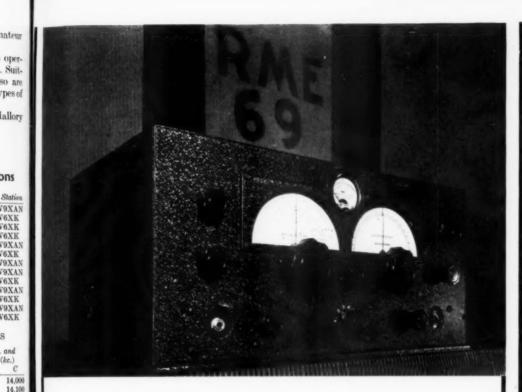
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MARITIME DIVISION

MARITIME—SCM, A. M. Crowell, VE1DQ—Nova Scotia: 1IB says DS, DZ and JL dropped in on him for visit while in Amherst. HH is building portable rig. EY still schedules W1AJ. HX is QRL Camp Borden, BZ is back on 3.5 mc, EV and XYL were recent visitors to HH. JM is rebuilding new rig ending up with Eimac 35T. HJ is rebuilding to use new 6L6 metal tube in crystal stage. Congrats to the successful 56-mc, sleuths (JM and HJ) who carried off the honors in the transmitter hunt at Moncton Hamfest. GL has new job at C.P. DQ had several contacts with WIONDA while off Labrador; VOII (Oscar and Marge) were recent visitors on way home from the States. W4BBV (Sr. and Jr.), who did such FB work during the recent Georgia tornado, have been in Halifax on vacation. W1AAR of Boston dropped in on few of the boys for quick visit. AG sold his SW5 and is looking around for good buy in used superhet. FQ is rebuilding the 'phone for fall.

Traffic: VE1IB 5.

ONTARIO DIVISION

ONTARIO—SCM, John V. Perdue, VE3QK—R.M.'s:
3WX, 3TM, 3DU, 3GT, 3SG, 3QK, 3GG, P.A.M.:
3NX. AER reports rebuilding activity. YX is doing FB work on 14 mc. and represents Caledonia. DJ is active in Hamilton with low power and looks forward to scheduling VE9CNE. GG has turned over traffic schedules to KH and is very QRL with emergency net plans for fall. WX and RO along with QK are sporting healthy tans in the wilds of northern Ontario, GT and Tommie are vacationing in Flatbush.
Don't forget your suggestion on VE3 frequency plan. VD
worked ZT2L on 7 mc., also CN8MI. 73.

Traffie: VE3WK 30 AU 25 QB 17 CG-GT 4 AE-NC-ZV 1

QUEBEC DIVISION

OUEBEC-SCM, Stan Comach, VE2EE-With the summer months we have had the pleasure of meeting some of our neighbors. W2JPS passed through Montreal playing at Loews Theatre; both the S.C.M. and BU saw quite a lot of Hal. G6UW also paid the S.C.M. a visit and dropped in to see the C.G.M. JK is back on the air after months of hard sledding at school. DR, our genial R.M., regrets having to relinquish that position in our Field Organization; we hate to accept that resignation, Bill. II is still doing good work andling traffic, JZ has built a very FB rack and panel job. EI is a newcomer in Cookshire. MB is located in Megantic. EA is operating 'phone and c.w. on 14 mc. IN is having a fine time at camp, 75 miles north of North Bay, and can be heard on 7 me, under the call 3AJU, HG is located at St. Gabriel de Brandon for the summer. DA is also at this resort. HG has worked 68 countries. EC, the old reliable, is making improvements on the old rig. IY is talking about 6L6 final and new Super-Gainer. IJ is building a new superhet. EX is using a 6L6 oscillator. LJ is still building. LV is building a rack job. MC is getting out well on 14 mc. LQ sustained a injury to his left foot; we understand everything is ok now. We retract our last month's statement that IL has gone crystal; definitely No. GZ has gone North into the Hudson Bay Territory and Doug Jarvis, x2AG, sailed for the Arctic on the Nascopie. AH is investing in a pair of 35T's. The M.A.R.C. extends thanks to all who attended and made such a success of their annual picnic; quite a bit of 56-mc. activity was in evidence; regardless of what may be said to the contrary, the 'phone men defeated the c.w. men in the

baseball game 24 to 6. Hi. Traffic: VE2JK 27 JJ 12 BB 19 BU 33 DR-EC 23 HG 5

EE 6 BG 32. VE211 62 CA 9.

VANALTA DIVISION ALBERTA—SCM, Alfred D. Kettenbach, VE4LX—The Calgary hamfest, July 4th and 5th, was a very enjoyable affair, and the Calgary bunch is to be congratulated on

the very successful way it was run off. AH won the only Canadian prize in the Hallicrafter contest. BW took HM and QX to the Calgary hamfest, went by way of Hanna and picked up GM, and then visited LX and LA on the way down and ZD on the return trip. BW is moving transmitte from the attic to a more comfortable position downstain and rebuilding at the same time. PH has been QSO seven VK's and J's. ADD and ADR are two new calls in Edmor ton. HT was at the hamfest. EA attended Calgary hamfest ZP has returned north, commercial, and has ham rig with him. W7FL and XYL, W7CCR and W7ABT, were among those present at the Calgary hamfest. JK is on 14- and 3.9. mc. 'phone regularly. GD is off the DX fishing for a spell and is trying his luck with the trout. SW is vacationing. JJ is on a trip to the States, and is being heard daily over various

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a trip to the States, and is being heard daily over various stations he is visiting.

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BRITISH COLUMBIA—SCM, D. R. Vaughan-Smith, VE5EP—Heavy traffic is being handled on Vancourer Island in connection with the Y.M.C.A. Camp at Glint Lake, Sooke, B. C. IC holds down the camp end and contacts OK, IL and DV; through this OK and IC make the B.P.L. FB! At the Y.M.C.A. Camp at West Howe Sound DB is the official station with IN operating at present; he is kept in contact with Vancouver through the cooperation KC, JS and FQ. IL, a first reporter, shoves in a good total PI expects to QRO soon. HI runs 250 watts of modulated pep on 3.5 mc. and has plans for a half kw. CB, Victoria and FG, Prince George, were visitors to Vancouver and the B.C.A.R.A. ER hit the club same night and promise to stick around! The Vancouver Club enjoyed an optical leture which took in the manufacture of crystals, and a ver helpful talk on meters, both in the same month. The club now pushing plans for display and station at Vaccoure Exhibition. North Vancouver Club has taken time out for summer holidays! AV is busy with the Island Net. NG is sort of peeved because rig won't perk on 7 mc.!

Traffic: VESEP 27 OK 316 IC 377 IL 46 DV 82 KC 8
BJ 7 JS 52 FQ 26 DB 172 HI 19 DD 20 PI 1 JY 9.

PRAIRIE DIVISION

MANITOBA—SCM, A. J. R. Simpson, VE4BG—QI returned from a vacation down South and sends his thanks to all the W5's who helped to make his visit most enjoyable. QC returned after vacationing in Toronto and reports an FB time. RO is about the most consistent station and has FB quality on 'phone. A bunch of the Winnipg gang, namely, QC, KU, MY, UX and BG motored down to Kenora and had an FB visit at VE3ADP. ZK has a pair of 150T's and will have real power soon.

SASKATCHEWAN-SCM, Wilfred Skaife, VE4ELnice little get-together took place at the shack of KJ when ES, OC and WF from Weyburn and KE and LU from Wicox blew in on Sunday, July 5th. WK left behind motor generator which KJ is now using with great success in his late "Flea-power but now Grass-hopper" station. YC and has crystal 1.75-mc. 'phone. AT at Govan is getting list up for 1.75-mc. 'phone. Saskatoon: RJ now has ACR-18 decorating the shack and is going places on 3.9-mc. 'pho UD while going strong East had his plate transformer West. Hi. QZ snagged a couple of rare countries on 7 mm Salvador and British Solomon Islands. UC is on 14 me. I is ironing the bugs out of his 3.9-mc. 'phone and has his eye on 14 mc. MB is waiting for those long delayed DX cards. Ex-4EJ took unto himself an XYL. Congrats, 011 XB is socking out on 7 mc. with 53 crystal, doubler and " final. FD's 28 watt Class B modulated 'phone is hooki real DX on 14 mc. FB, Charlie. Regina: CM is getting 0 fine on 3.9-mc. 'phone. Keeping in touch with the gang. yo S.C.M. paid a very enjoyable visit with Les. Sedore, all was it hot in AU's shack? Nice contacts were made will Regina, Moose Jaw, Brandon and numerous U.S.A. station on 3.9-mc. 'phone. Calling at Frobisher EL made thes quaintance of Frank and Harry Meadows, who were time friends over the air. Continuing to Estevan, I had good visit with NE and VU and saw ES for a short times Weyburn.

Traffic: VE4QZ 6 PQ 4.

CENTRAL DIVISION

ILLINOIS-SCM. LLINOIS—SCM, John Huntoon, W9KJY—R.M.'s: 9JLH, 9RMN. 9WR receives the thanks of every one of a for eight years of very fine work as S.C.M. 14 mc. holds ACU's interest. VES is operating portable in Milwaukee. BAQ is interested in fall O.R.S. contests. 56-mc. portable-mobile work gave SUW a thrill. This Section is saddened learn of the death of Jack Thornton, IVF, drowned July th while on a Naval Reserve cruise, Jack was a real leader is communication and organization work. VRV, WIC and VPS work triplex on 1.75-mc. 'phone. Obtaining a Class A leanse and operation on 3.9-mc. 'phone keeps UPW off c.w. ANQ is working DX on 14 mc. SG, all ready to work 1.75 mc., blew the power transformer. VJZ worked OA4J. Don't s the big Ham Show in Chicago, September 5th, 6th and 7th. Nothing doing but experimenting at HQH. PJJ is keeping cracked ice around the bottles (to keep the plates from gtting red). BPU, NXG, KJY and VNW are rebuilding. thanks, gang, for your expression of goodwill in electing at S.C.M. Send all future reports to 327 Brandon Ave., len Ellyn. Let's make this next season a big one

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> Traffic: W9TYF 5 UIX 2 NTP 6 SYJ 5. KENTUCKY-SCM, G. W. Mossbarger, W9AUH-To te an O.R.S. in Kentucky means something. To be an O.P.S. is an honor to be cherished! Kentucky appointees earned their titles. Newlyweds NEP's are at home at lst. YHD and AEN hold forth on 7 and 3.5 mc. EDQ is taking hard with OMW for success of northern Kentucky ic. KKG and MGT are handling traffic again. GJZ is olding new rig. MWR with new RME69 is also in traffic bainess, YHU is building new rig to QRM KKG and MGT.
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> BPB is knocking them off on 14-mc. 'phone. JL blows filters attract attention. VBO will be big help in new section LH and CRJ continue to work on new outfits. WNP will son crash out on 7 and 3.5 mc. with new transmitter and see FR16. OZO and MWY marry and disappear. SHH is maing experiments at U. of K. EAX goes to Chicago. CEZ joins with 1.75-mc. 'phone gang. SEA has 'A' ticket. (DA is busy editing home paper. HAX is getting set for amy maneuvers at Fort Knox. THS is new call at Fort Knox. SEN buys entire new power supply for the fifties. RBV is heard on 14-mc. c.w. SDC is tinkering with new addition to receiver. TKF is QRL electric and radio business. NGZ is picking them off on 14-mc. DX. HBQ is QRL as sual with club work. RBN is heard CQing at 40 per on 14me.e.w. KOX is planning on 56-me. experiments and reports s coming through r9 on 14 mc. Don't forget the Central Division Convention, gentlemen, a fine chance to rene inquaintances and meet the chap you work so often on the sit. September 5th-6th-7th, Chicago, Ill. BAZ installs tic transmitter and is shooting out O.B.S. on 3810 ics., 6:30 p.m., CST nightly except Sundays. I would like blave a card from every licensed amateur in the state so that I may send all of you report cards and to the address that will reach you at once. O.R.S. appointees of Kentucky are asked to get set for competitive work this season and to stimuly go after the beautiful cup that has been offered in the season's work by the W4NC organization. Let's go, pag. The winner lives in Kentucky. Who is he? JDI is on with grid modulated 1.75-mc. 'phone and self-excited '45 %7 mc. HNV is working high power rig on 14-mc. 'phone. GPP. (EE is mostly motor-boating. ASC was hospitalizing in laxington, but is out now. TKO has a replacement on his dulating transformer and will be back on again, mostly 1.75-me. 'phone. WXL is a new ham on 1.75-mc. 'phone.

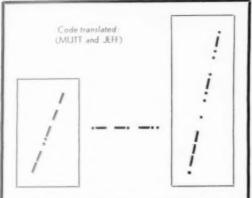
WUR, another new ham, is newly married. GAQ had a tower collapse on him this spring. BGW has been operating on 14 mc. VYY is on 3.5 and 7 mc. VYY and HNV are taking summer N.C.R. cruise on the Great Lakes. Naval Reserve Station AF9C was actively operated all winter, principally by ASC, HNV and VYY. OH is in Ownesboro working in the Commercial Engineering Dept. of the Ken-Rad Corp. Traffic: W9RBV 12 EDQ 1 KKG 19 MWR 6 JMR 4

AUH 6 JL 16 VBO 12 WNP 2 ELL 16 HBQ 135. W4DDZ/9

MICHIGAN—SCM, Kenneth F. Conroy, WSDYH— Send future reports to Acting SCM, Harold C. Bird, WSDPE, RFD No. 2, Pontiac, Mich. 9ADY of Calumet was in Detroit expanding his crystal business. 9CWD got O.P.S. renewed. All O.R.S. and O.P.S. should see if their appointments need the signature for another year. 8NDL reports Flint gang had nice 56-mc. hidden transmitter con test with a chicken dinner at the end of the rainbowmissed it due to becoming papa of 7¼-lb. boy. Congrats. P.A.M. 8CVF is QRL State Electrification Inspection. 8ARR returns after furlough at Rifle Lake where he very successfully worked 7-mc. portable. 8CVQ reports the "Dark Brown" Network functions on 56 mc. every Monday; some of members: 8NZ, IJN, CVR, MUR and CVQ; CVQ has beam pointed at Detroit—150-watt crystal on 58.2 mc. heard in Pontiac and Colorado! FB. 80CC has worked W2 and W4 using 59 crystal with 15 watts on 3.5 mc. 8NIV is QRL earning dough to build new rig. 8ECI is waiting for the novelty of his new bus to wear off. 8CSL is decorating the new house. 9NUF is vacationing at Centerville where he has call 8QDG. Our peppy R.M. 8LSF "ketched himself a job" and plans Port Arthur in fall. 8ICM is going to spend his vacation in Montreal with Rita. 8CEU is on KFMN, The John W. Boardman—says sailing's the life. 8NUV whoops for work on the Bulletin and wants us to keep it up—we will, if you fellows keep your reports nice and meaty and full of interesting dope. SNYV returned from trip north with SOCQ. SNQ is busy with Cairo Survey and sailing his boat. SNIX sends some stamps to help defray the mailing expenses on the Bulletin—thanks, OM. SDPE is still keeping schedules helping out the C.C.C. boys. SDSQ has rack al-most completed. Had nice visit from SONS (son of Ohio's SICD) and a visit from SCGP while they were visiting Belle Isle. SNNG is out for W.A.S. with 250 watts and PR-12. SOQQ is working for WQEK/WQEJ, R.C.A., Detroit. 9RIT reports 9TLP in Detroit and 902M with C.C.C. at Isle Royale pounding brass. 8GQZ got job in Radio Shop. 8FX says it isn't married life holding him up, it's receiver trouble. 8NXT got himself new ACR-136 and is seeking DX. SCLL would like to hear from other ops on lakes-Tug Sulphite, E. Atemborski, Soo, Mich.-KENQ. 8KNT's new QRA is 479 Lincoln, Grosse Pointe. 9CWR spends his time in ole swimming hole. SPTE gets some crystal reports time in one swimming nois. 8FLE gets some crystal reports from '45 TNT. 8NOV is looking for schedules on 3.5 mc. 8PXL is new in Bay City. 8NYV took four from K5 one A.M. 9VQT is op'ing WEUB, Ft. Brady. 8MCV is interested in A.A.R.S. 8IFE returned from trip through east. Time for Swan Song: Realizing that the S.C.M. job has grown so big and the tasks of the S.C.M. are so many and varied and other things are demanding more of our short 24 hours, after honest deliberation and much arguing we con vinced Hal, 8DPE, to act as S.C.M. until another is elected we know of no better man for the job. Give him your support, OM. We wish to thank all you fellows for the fine show ing you have made. We particularly wish to thank the following: Assistant S.C.M.'s: SDPE and 9PDE. P.A.M.'s: SIKZ, SCVF and 9CWD. R.M.'s: SBMG, SCAT, SPP, SFX, 9ADY, 9RHM, SEVC, SAEQ, SEGI, 9HK, SJO, 8ARR, 8QT, 8DWB, 8LSF, 8ICM, 8DVC, 8DED, and all 8ARR, 8QT, 8DWB, 8LSF, 8ICM, 8DVC, 8DED, and all the O.R.S. and O.P.S. we have had the pleasure to work with. We intend to get behind 8DPE, or whoever the new S.C.M. will be, and dig in tooth and nail. 73—Ken, 8DYH. Traffic: W8DDE 68 HTK 63 OCU 38 DSQ 20 LSF-NYV 14 ARR 12 BJ 8 DED-PBP 4 MCV-NUV 1. W9TTY 18. OHIO—SCM, Robert P. Irvine, W8CIO—EEQ went on U.S.N.R. cruise on U.S.S. Wilmington. ISK is still trying

to get over effects of A.A.R.S. picnic. RN is waiting for his ship to get out of the dry dock. LZE is back from vacation.

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Hints and Kinks

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ground pin. Also, the same method can be readily applied to r.f. coils in the set.

Break-in Monitoring

A METHOD of continuous monitoring which works as instantaneously as the transmitting key, and at the same time eliminates the noise from the receiver so common on those systems which connect both monitor and receiver to a single pair of 'phones, is shown in Fig. 5. This scheme is a suggestion of C. W. Cashatt, WaJMX. Essentially, the method consists of a relay arrangement which disconnects the headset from the receiver when the key is pressed, the monitor being connected to the 'phones continuously. This arrangement is said to be noiseless, since the relay breaks only a small current in the 'phone circuit.

Two audio chokes are necessary, one for the plate circuit of the receiver and the other for the monitor plate. The 'phones are condenser-couple to both so that there is no d.c. in the 'phone circuit. The relay coil is connected in series with the keying relay, and the contacts should be arranged to open when the key is closed.

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LPZ has First Class Radiotelephone ticket. KYI is at Fort Hayes. KLP is on a two months' trip to California and Washington. JLQ reports from Michigan-working out well on 28 mc. OPT is rebuilding for more power. DFL got married. PWB is new reporter from Paris-OHIO. 3DIY W8 call soon. LRV is new reporter from Montpelier. KKW is on 7 mc. with 50 watts input to 6L6. OKN went to Camp Knox for two weeks beginning August 1st. LZK finally got enough cards to claim W.A.C. NXN is working hard for DX. NAL is selling refrigerators. UW will be at Camp Knox for two weeks. Sunday, July 12th, was Chair Warmers Day in Cleveland. The boys from Lorain picked up 8GET (Granpa Penfield), chair and all, and brought him to Cleveland in a sedan. After visiting Radio Station WGAR and showing him around a bit, they took him to an outing prepared in his honor. In the meantime the boys around Cleveland picked up Pop Garver, "bed and all," packed him in a truck and brought him to the outing. By the way, gang, to my knowledge, this is second time that SGET has been out of the house in about ten years, being hopelessly crippled. With all his handicaps he has mastered the code and theory and got himself a license, 'Phone News (by P.A.M. 8DXB): CDR had his schedules interrupted by change of working hours at Wright Field. JTI reports 'phone stations in Akron, namely LBH, MMH and NYY. KVD is carrying FB transmitter on his annual trip Los Angeles. LUD reports new YL Jr. opr. ANE is building new 72-ft. masts. Here's one: LRJ operating 3.9me. 'phone was heard in Ireland R8-9 on 7 me.! Hi. DN is on 28 mc. lately. OGM got stuck on a 70-ft. smokestack and it took 20 men to rescue him. OXK is breaking in new Collins 30FXC and new HRO. KNF returned from a short vacation; he carried low power portable. EMV yearns for more power on 14 mc, GMI has a new mike. BYF is now HFR will take out time to visit the Great Lakes Expo. QBT is the transmitter at the Great Lakes Exposition, Cleveland, BZY is busy with the duties of General Chairman, Ohio State A.R.R.L. Convention, Columbus

Traffic: W8EEQ 38 ISK 35 RN 26 CIO 10 LZE 7 LPZ 4. WISCONSIN-SCM, E. A. Cary, W9ATO-We plan starting the state net on Sept. 14th, working net control. I would like to have a card from all stations interested, giving your ideas on time, freq. and schedules. Let's get together and put Wisconsin on top. WSY wants O.R.S. in fall. ULE wants 56 mc. schedules between Grafton, Cedarburg, Kirchayn, West Bend and other towns within 20 miles. RSR keeps schedules in spite of hot weather. ESM is quad-rupling to 28 mc. with 7-mc. crystal. UJN has a 930 and is on 3.5 mc, with 53 crystal. ULE worked c.w. for the first time as portable from the farm. UMP also worked portable. UNY has Class A ticket. SYT opened a store. UNY has nearly finished all-band transmitter, EOP received OSL from Asia. SES watches ball game Sundays now. UGE is back from the north and is going to New York for a few weeks. VLK is looking for a job. SNK is putting super power on 14-mc. 'phone. EQP was heard in New Zealand on 14-mc. 'phone. ESE is operating on lake boat. VKC is trying to work a 6 VKC is trying to work a 6 on 7 mc, VGT received new RME-69, UMP is at C.M.T.C., Fort Sheridan, KTZ and TVV are going to Camp Custer with WNG. OZQ was at the air base in Minneapolis for two eks. PMM, OZQ, KYI, HFL and OZR took a Navy cruise. SZL moved rig out of basement. RQM took a trip to Rochester, Minn. TJG is using '47 crystalose, on 7 mc, with 10 watts input. YLJ is new ham in Appleton. TFS is getting settled down after moving. JXZ has Class A ticket. RJH and WAY from C.C.C. Camp visited gang in Superior, OIF is a Railroad op. TPO has new pair of tens. RZY is raising house and putting basement under it. FII is trying to get transmitter going at the Armory. PQY is on 7 mc. ONI says hook an 8-mfd, condenser from ground to antenna on B.C.L. sets for noise eliminator, XLJ, new u.h.f. transmitter at WEBC, is transmitting on 31.6 me. with 90 watts. WYT is local manager for Postal Telegraph at one of the hotels in Superior. RZY makes briquettes. FII is in National Guard. PQY is meter master at the Electric Co. in Superior. HSK made a trip to Milwaukee over the fourth. MKC has new Class A ticket and is on 4-mc. 'phone. LFK is vacationing at Big Cedar Lake. SJF, home from school, got O.R.S. renewed. Fox River Valley gang had a hamfest June 21st. Rock River

Radio Club is holding annual picnic in August. Northen Wisconsin Wireless Ass'n continues to print "Strays" al summer. Kilocycle Club of Milwaukee is holding pinic in August. Nine of its members visited the Racine Club on June 19th. Radio Amateurs League of Milwaukee bal a blow-out and adjourned until September.

Traffic: WOWSY 24 RSR 9 ULE 13 ESM 4 UJN-VYR1

DAKOTA DIVISION

SOUTH DAKOTA—SCM, Andrew J. Kjar, W9SE8—GRJ and wife, who also has ham ticket, moved to Calif ULQ moved to Chamberlain to operate C.C.C. net control ULQ moved to Ft. Meade. HJU moved to Detroit. Good luck to all. GTG and HJU took radiotelegraph test and made the grade OK. PGV, LBU, OXC and PLF are rebuilding for active season. VBE quit C.C.C. to go to school. AZR go bad r.f. burn. VOD and VQN say their crystals refuse to work during hot weather so they use e.c. GYG reports that 5DZH has new Jr. op. FLO is back from Ireland. CFU weatherman. FOQ is using remote control. OXC is burpainting signs. FJR is using 804 in osc. PLF is Statebous electrician. Y1F is new ham in Sturges. Your S.C.M. want you all to drop him a card on the 16th of each month. War say, gang, let's put this Section on the map this winter. Traffic: W9AZR 584 SEB 180 VQN 52 VOD 37 WAI 14.

NORTHERN MINNESOTA-SCM, Leonard Hofstad W9OWU—We are very much shocked to hear of the death of W9GBW of Brainerd who died as a result of a plane crash of Wights of brainerd win died as a result of a panercian YKD is new call at Ironton. CWB, RRN and YKD as members of local Nat. Guard Unit and were at Ft. Riple for two weeks ending July 18th. AZJ is QRL work. VJF going into northern Minn. and Canada on an eightday cannoe trip. FUZ, TIV and TUT visited VJP. FUZ requests Twin City hams answer him when he is working portable u north. UMJ got job as assistant production engineer for General Controls in Mpls. IGZ is busy harvesting. Min Dak Club had a very FB meeting at IGZ's place on Jun 28th. A hidden transmitter hunt was a part of the program the transmitter being found by YAP and your S.C.M. RI s on 14 mc. with a new rig and is really going to town. FSI has new a.c./d.c. portable. HBM and SV are perking u activities on 56 mc. YCS is new ham at St. Cloud, 373 kes. HCY signed on the dottless line; he got married. Ran Wireless Club had picnic with the Arrowhead Radio Am teurs on Sunday, June 28th, at Pleasant Lake near Evelet A good-sized group from Duluth attended. Prizes we donated by Northwest Radio of Duluth, Arrowhead Radio Amateurs and the Range Wireless Club.

SOUTHERN MINNESOTA—SCM, Webster F. Soule W9DCM—FNK has been having good luck with DX. THE is on 14-mc. 'phone with 24 watts. VEACA visited seren Minneapolis hams. YLX is a new call in Mpls. VFR works his first DX. EFK has a new junior operator to add to his first DX. ELA worked YR5OR for his 81st country air having a private DX contest with both working the first DX. ELA worked YR5OR for his 81st country air then moved to New York City. Sorry to lose you, 0M RWH hopes it will be a boy. KUI is a new O.R.S. Cogratulations, OM. TKX is bothered with parasitics in hew rig. DGH claims he has the best antenna. The Mpl Radio Club was sponsor of a big picnic held at Pine Cit. Hams from all over the state attended. SJK has been don't considerable rag chewing on 7 mc. BP reports that bed coasts have been coming through on 56 mc. DCM is climbit poles for the Power Company this summer. Plans are user way for the S.M.R.A. meeting at Rochester this fall. EB has a new son—born July 14th. Congrats, OM.

Traffic: W9TKX 28 SJK 9 DEI 7 VEP 4.

MIDWEST DIVISION

KANSAS—SCM, O. J. Spetter, W9FLG.
Traffic: W9RIZ 93 (WLUV 136) BYV-YAH 3.
MISSOURI—SCM, J. Dewey Mills, W9CJR—PI

MISSOURI—SCM, J. Dewey Mills, W9CJR—PI holds down several traffic schedules. DI is also runni traffic schedules. GBJ is working DX since putting up at towers. TGN, KEI and AIJ are rebuilding. HUG is active again after long absence. DHN is away from home statist OEQ reports W.A.C. during June on 14 mc. Every has

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GBJ 4 ARH 3 SGP (WLUK 22). NEBRASKA—SCM, S. C. Wallace, W9FAM—FAM has heen off the air since 23rd May on account of serious illne RUJ is having a lot of fun talking to his brother in Scotia, N. Y., on 14 mc. BNT is rebuilding this summer. DMY is getting a very FB transmitter on the air and, with his new or Skyrider, says he expects to go places and do things EHW has a portable emergency outfit. IGF plans on trying 7 mc. this fall and winter. YDZ says VQO is trying c.w. YHN is new ham at Pierce. GFI, VQO, FMW and YDZ are on 3.5 mc. WGL, Northeast Nebraska Radio Club, elected officers June 15th with DHO now president and WGL VUG reports SGQ lost top half of his mast. BBS sent his PR-16 in for repairs. BAE has been changing trans mitter. SMH left for Honolulu to work for Philco. MZF. new Nebraska ham, recently transferred bis QTH to Omaha. Traffic: W9KJP 4 TBD 3.

WEST GULF DIVISION

NORTHERN TEXAS—SCM, Richard M. Cobb, W5BII —5DXA, R.M., leads with traffic this month. EEW we will have a big A.A.R.S. meeting at the convention. EOE dropped in on the S.C.M. for nice chat; he is working FB in the 7-mc. net, which consists of nine members at present. BXA is on part time with the 7-mc. net. FJQ has been in Dallas taking Class "B" license. EZY reports for first time. CPT had a pleasant trip over in Florida on cruise at the N.C.R. aviation base: he reports that CPB, BCW and JA went to Jamaica. FBQ received W.A.S. certificate. AID sends Official Broadcast every Wednesday on schedule; he hopes to work a portable at the T.N.G. camp at Palacios again during Aug. FMZ works in the 7-mc. traffic net daily. EOW works all continents but can't get QSL cards. BII is working on new rack and panel job. Please drop the S.C.M. acard to say hello and what your plans are for fall operation, etc. O.R.S. must always report. FKW is active on 7 mc.; he ok second-class Radiotelephone exam. FCR is on 1.75-mc. phone. UF is on 7 mc. BIN and CQQ are on 14-mc. 'phone. Traffie: W5DXA 178 EEW 5 (WLJM 146) EOE 80 BXA-FJQ 9 EZY 2 FMZ 18.

OKLAHOMA—SCM, Carter L. Simpson, W5CEZ—CEZ along with ASQ and BWN, all members of the Naval Communication Reserve, returned from an enjoyable training cruise to Jamaica. DDW is maintaining at least one daily schedule. FFK is back on after a trying time of rebuilding. EYH is going to spend the rest of the summer in California, FKL has taken over Hq. Bty. 1st F.A. station FSK. FSK has Asia and Europe on the QSO list and will soon be ready for a W.A.C. FLU left for California July 27th and expects to bring back a 35T to replace that '10 in his final. ESP now has two QRA's, during the week it's Alva and Amorita on week-ends. FLY has rig overhauled and is now rebuilding the receiver. AIR has been doing some experimenting with audio oscillators and has a new 14-mc, crystal, so he now is crystal-controlled on 28 and 56 mc. EXZ took over CEZ's schedules while the latter went on an N.C.R.

Traffic: WSCEZ 154 (WLJC 33) DDW 24 FFK 11 EYH

SOUTHERN TEXAS-SCM, Ammon O. Young W5BDI-DBR now has both W.A.C and W.A.S. OW again leads the Section in traffic. DTJ is making an auto trip to Massachusetts via Florida during the month of August. MN returned from his vacation. BWM's bud is now FYN. EIS is on 14-mc. c.w. FNA is using 14-mc. 'phone. BEF sends his usual report. FYG and FYU are new hams in El Paso, CWW has been working a nice bunch of DX on 7 mc. EYR burned out his power transformer. EXE paid the Kingsville gang a visit. ETV is on the air with a 53 crystal rig. FGL is planning on getting on 14 mc. soon. FMZ has a new MacKey and is handling traffic. FSY learned her code while ironing. ERC is building a new rig with some of his bonus money. EPS is building the new super described in a late issue of QST. FTM is laid up with

a squeeky knee. OI is going to build an e.c. rig for use on 7-mc. c.w. For information concerning the W.A.K. certificates, write the Kingsville Amateur Radio Club, Box 1066, Kingsville, Texas. DPX will soon be on 3.9-mc. 'phone with a 300-watt job. FDS is back in Houston after having spent some time working in the swamps of Louisiana. EWJ put up a new antenna and has been working some nice DX. FI just returned from the N.C.R. cruise. VE4QF was a visitor on the Section during the last month-come see us often, Jack. BOX also visited the S.C.M.

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DBR 10 FDS 4.

NEW MEXICO-SCM, Joseph M. Eldodt, W5CGJ-DZY is keeping things going over Trunk Line "D." ENI visited CGJ, who is rebuilding again and again trying to make the old junk heap work—Hi. Let's have more reports,

Traffic: W5DZV 49

ROCKY MOUNTAIN DIVISION

*OLORADO-SCM, Glen Glasscock, W9FA-WFV reports working 23 states and all districts with 3 to 5 watts input; he's located at Cliff Lake, Colo. BRZ says MOM turned benedict recently. Congrats, OM. TRR at-tended the air races in Denver and started talking ham radio to a stranger, only to find that he was GCM from Grand Junction and a member of the same Naval Unit! BRZ holds schedules with his mother in Calif. via GYV and 6FNK-'phone. RHH moved to the country. SEX is back from Golden getting all set for a mining expedition, TOX is active on 14 mc. TOS is planning on taking up aviation. FXQ changed QTH and put up new sticks. EHC built a new mobile 56-mc, rig, then traded for a long-wave receiver. IFD is holding down a regular opr's job on the M.V. Australia for the Texas Co. NIT holds a schedule with his brother on the U.S.S. Yarnall. JFD is busy canning peas SBB, MDN and TDS spent a week-end with GLI, LQO and NPP over at Monte Vista; they made the event an occasion by holding a Rocky Ford Association pienic, as most of the present. SBB is DX champ of the R.F.A.F.A. gang now because he clicked with a couple of VK's and a K6. MDN is on with a new 40-watt all-star unit. TTD is rebuilding. OYE is back from the Texas Centennial. WWB is a new ham in Pueblo, using a new 40-watt all-star unit; he's an old-time telegraph opr. from way back, KNZ still keeps daily schedules with ESA, HDU is working 7- and 3.5-mc. c.w. when time permits, but the 56-mc, work keeps him busy most of the time. July 4th was a banner day for the 56-mc. DX-ers; KNZ and VXX are still pinching themselves to make sure they're not asleep; VXX reports hearing NNU, NNE and PDE in Chicago; KNZ and USP in the Springs heard a whole bunch of fellows, and USP contacted NNE at Berwyn, Ill. WYX is experimenting with 112 mc. as well as working some 56-mc. stations, and just in case you're doubtful about 56-mc, activity in Colorado, besides the ones already mentioned, here's a list of calls: WUG, WYU, WRO, VTK, WLJ, GBQ, YGJ, RRK, EPC, EKQ, PZF, OKW and SPS. The main highlights of the month were the National Air Races in Denver and the big celebration at Colorado Springs when the Pikes Peak Highway was opened to the public as a free road. The Springs gang handled the reports for the events on the Peak via 56 mc, even to the running of the Pony Express from Cheyenne to Colorado Springs, thus keeping the officials informed right up to the minute on what was taking place. YAE, HDI, NRZ, USP, HDU and KNZ played the most impor tant parts. The National Air Races in Denver made use of 56-mc, equipment and all the hams available for their reports from the Pylons to the base stations at the judges' stand and announcer's booth. This also included the reports from distant points for the 100-kilometer speed dash and the transport speed record around Pikes Peak and return. NWW and ESA handled the main bulk of the burden by making the arrangements with the race officials some weeks in advance, EKQ, FCK, MXM, MKN, GBQ, EPC, WRO, FA and LNB were some of the others handling equipment on the field and at the Administration Building.

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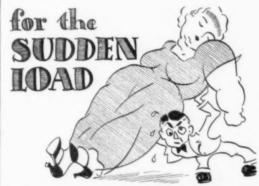
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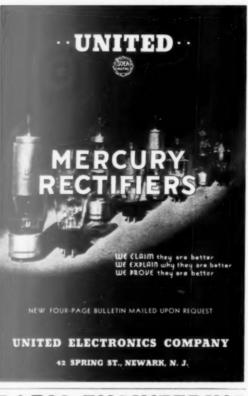
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